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#### ACT OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY, PASSED APRIL 12, 1843, AND AMENDED FEBRUARY 9, 1849.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- § 1. All such persons as now are, or may hereafter become members of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, formed in the City of New York, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, shall be, and hereby are constituted a body corporate, by the name of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, for the purpose of promoting the preaching of the Gospel in North America.
- § 2. This Corporation shall be capable of taking, holding, or receiving any property, real or personal, by virtue of any devise or bequest contained in any last will or testament of any person whomsoever, the clear annual income of which devise or bequest shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars; provided, no person leaving a wife, or child, or parent, shall devise or bequeath said Corporation more than one-fourth of his or her estate, after the payment of his or her debts, and such devise or bequest shall be valid to the extent of such one-fourth, and no such devise or bequest shall be valid in any will which shall not have been made and executed at least two months before the death of the testator; and provided that no verbal mistake in the name of the said corporation shall invalidate any gift, grant, devise or legacy intended for it. The net income of said Society arising from their real estate, shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars annually.
- § 3. This Corporation shall possess the general powers, and be subject to the provisions contained in title third of chapter eighteenth of the first part of the Revised Statutes, so far as the same are applicable, and have not been repealed.
  - § 4. This Act shall take effect immediately.
  - § 5. The Legislature may at any time modify or repeal this Act.

#### CONSTITUTION.

#### NAME.

I. THIS Society shall be called the AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

#### OBJECT

II. The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the gospel in North America.

#### MEMBERSHIP.

III. The Society shall be composed of Annual Delegates, Life Members and Life Directors. Any Baptist church, in union with the denomination, may appoint a delegate for an annual contribution of ten dollars, and an additional delegate for each additional thirty dollars. Thirty dollars shall be requisite to constitute a member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time, or a sum which in addition to any previous contribution shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be requisite to constitute a director for life.

#### OFFICERS.

IV. The Officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Recording Secretary, whom the Society shall annually elect by ballot.

#### MANAGERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD.

V. The Officers and Life Directors shall meet immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Society, and elect fifteen Managers, residing in the city of New York, or its vicinity, who, together with the Treasurer, Auditor, and Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, shall constitute an Executive Board to conduct the business of the Society; and shall respectively continue to discharge their official duties until superseded by a new election. Five members of the Board shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

VI. The Executive Board shall have power to appoint its own meetings; elect its own Chairman and Recording Secretary; enact its own By-Laws and Rules of Order, provided always, that they be not inconsistent with this Constitution; fill any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society during the year; and, if deemed necessary by two-thirds of the members present at a regular meeting, convene special meetings of the Society. They shall establish such Agencies as the interests of the Society may require; appoint Agents and Missionaries; fix their compensation; direct and instruct them concerning their particular fields and labors; make all appropriations to be paid out of the treasury; and present to the Society at each annual meeting, a full report of their proceedings during the current year.

#### DESIGNATED FUNDS.

VII. All moneys or other property contributed and designated for any particular missionary field, shall be so appropriated, or returned to the donors, or their lawful agents.

#### TREASURER.

VIII. The Treasurer shall give bonds to such amount as the Executive Board shall think proper.

#### ELIGIBILITY TO APPOINTMENT.

IX. All the Officers, Managers, Missionaries and Agents of the Society, shall be members in good standing in regular Baptist churches.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

X. The Society shall meet annually, at such time and place as the Executive Board shall appoint.

#### ALTERATIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

XI. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of twothirds of the members present at an annual meeting: nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Board.

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AUDITOR.

GARRAT N. BLEECKER, New York.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY. REV. BENJAMIN M. HILL, New York.

RECORDING SECRETARY. REV. EDWARD LATHROP, New York.

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#### MEETING HOUSE OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

CLEVELAND, OHIO, MAY 14th, 15th and 16th, 1852.

Hon. Isaac Davis, President of the Society, called the meeting to order. The 55th chapter of Isaiah was read by Rev. E. Tucker, D.D., of Ill., and prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. Sedwick, of Ohio.

Rev. Dr. Tucker delivered an appropriate opening address.

Prayer was again offered by Rev. Silas Tucker, of Ill.

The President addressed the meeting, briefly reviewing the history of the Society, and urging its present claims.

Ministering and other brethren present, not directors, nor members of the Society, were invited to seats, and to a participation in the deliberations of the body.

Resolved, That the hours of meeting of the Society be 9 o'clock in the morning, 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and half-past 7 o'clock in the evening; and that the hours of adjournment be 12 o'clock, and 5 o'clock.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Credentials of Delegates.—J. T. Seeley, New York; S. Tucker, Illinois; H. Miller, Connecticut; J. E. Chesshire, New Jersey; H. Alger, Ohio.

On Nomination of Officers.—J. R. Stone, New York; A. P. Mason, Massachusetts; H. C. Skinner, Indiana; J. C. Foster, Vermont; M. Aller, Michigan.

On Arrangements for Public Services.—S. W. Adams, Ohio; M. Merriam, Maine; E. T. Hiscox, Connecticut; A. H. Burlingham, New York; J. Williams, Iowa.

In the absence of the Treasurer, an abstract of the Treasurer's Report and the Auditor's Certificate were read by the Corresponding Secretary.

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On motion of C. W. Houghton, Esq., of New York, seconded by J. Danner, Esq., of Ohio, it was

Resolved, That the Report be accepted and printed.

Adjourned after prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. I. R. Steward, of New York.

The Committee of Arrangements reported in part. Report accepted.

An abstract of the Annual Report of the Executive Board was read by the Corresponding Secretary, whereupon it was

Resolved, That the Report be accepted and printed, together with the other doings of the Society.

The following Committees on portions of the Annual Report were appointed:

- 1. On Missions in the Valley of the Mississippi.—Rev. H. G. Weston, Ill.; Rev. D. Robinson, Indiana; Rev. F. Snyder, Ohio; Rev. V. R. Hotchkiss, N. Y.; Mr. Thomas Wattson, Pa.; Rev. G. J. Johnson, Iowa; Rev. M. Allen, Mich.; Rev. E. Galusha, N. Y.
- 2. On the Labors of the Society and their Results.—Rev. J. N. Tolman, Illinois; Rev. J. L. Moore, Ohio; Rev. Wm. Sedwick, Ohio; Rev. B. P. Byram, Mass.; Rev. J. Bulkley, Ill.; Rev. Jesse Elliot, N. Y.; Rev. J. L. Batchelder, Ohio.
- 3. On Mission on the Pacific Coast.—Rev. J. Stevens, Ohio; Rev. Wm. Rollinson, Wis.; Rev. J. M. Haswell, Burmah; Rev. E. C. Lord, China; Rev. C. P. Sheldon, N. Y.; Rev. Ebenezer Dodge, N. H.
- 4. On Missions in New Mexico.—Rev. H. C. Fish, N. J.; Rev. H. W. Read, New Mexico; Rev. M. J. Rhees, N. Y.; Rev. D. B. Cheeney, Ohio; Prof. M. B. Anderson, New York; Rev. N. Kinne, Ill.; E. N. Downer, Ohio.
- 5. On the Prospective Operations of the Society.—Rev. E. L. Magoon, New York; Rev. J. Hyatt Smith, Ohio; Rev. Luther Stone, Ill.; Rev. G. W. Harris, Mich.; Rev. J. C. Foster, Vt.; Mr. A. M. Beebe, N. Y.; Hon. Isaac Davis, Mass.
- 6. On the Financial Affairs of the Society.—J. M. Hoyt, Esq., Ohio; J. M. Linnard, Esq.; Pa.; S. N. Kendrick, Mich.; W. H. Byron, Wisconsin; W. Winterton, N. Y.
- 7. On the Grande Ligne Mission.—Rev. A. D. Gillette, Pa.; Rev. T. Laffeur, Canada; Rev. J. Girdwood, Mass.; Rev. D. E. Thomas, Ohio; Rev. O. T. Walker, Conn.
- 8. On the Publications of the Society.—Rev. S. D. Phelps, Conn.; Rev. A. Cleghorn, Canada; Rev. S. B. Page, Ohio; Rev. D. H. Miller, New York; Rev. G. W. Patch, Mass.

The Committee on Nomination of Officers reported the names of officers of the Society for the ensuing year. Their Report was accepted and the Society proceeded to ballot. C. M. Fuller, N. Y., O. Tracy, N. H., and H. Seaver, Mass., were appointed tellers. The balloting resulted in the election of the officers of the last year. (See page 4 of this Report.)

On motion of Rev. S. Chase-

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of establishing Missions on the borders of Lake Superior. The following brethen were appointed: Rev. S. Chase, Mich., Rev. L. H. Moore, Mich., R. C. Smith, Mich., W. H. Byron, Wis., S. Haskell, Mich.

Adjourned after prayer.

#### EVENING SESSION.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. M. J. Rhees, of N. Y.

The Committee on the Mission to New Mexico reported, through their Chairman, Rev. H. C. Fish. Report accepted. (See page 57.)

Rev. H. W. Read, of New Mexico, addressed the Society at length, on the religious condition and wants of that Territory. Adjourned after singing a doxology.

#### SATURDAY MORNING-MAY 15th, 1852.

The Society assembled at 9 o'clock. The President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. O. Tracy, of New Hampshire.

The Committees not being prepared to report, some time was spent in voluntary addresses, which were made by Rev. E. Galusha, of New York; L. H. Moore, of Michigan; and Hon. Isaac Davis, of Massachusetts.

The Committee on the Grande Ligne Mission reported through Rev. A. D. Gillette, Chairman. (See Report, page 58.)

On motion of Rev. G. P. Nice, of New Jersey, seconded by Rev. J. Girdwood, of Mass., the report was accepted and ordered to be printed. Rev. A. D. Gillette, of Pa., Rev. T. Lafleur, missionary to Grande Ligne, also addressed the meeting on this subject.

On motion of Rev. L. G. Leonard, of Ohio, seconded by Rev. A. B. Cramb. of Ill., the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the time has come when the American Baptist Home Mission Society should be placed by our Western churches among the objects of their stated Christian contributions.

The Report of the Committee on the prospective operations of the Society was made the special order for the evening session.

Rev. E. Tucker, of Ill., E. Galusha, of New York, S. S. Cutting, of Mass., L. Church, of New York, and S. Tucker, of Ill., were appointed a Committee on Obituary Notices.

The Committee on Finances reported through J. M. Hoyt, Esq., of Ohio, Chairman.

Seaver, Mass., were appointed tellers.

On motion of T. Wattson, Esq., of Pa., seconded by O. Sage, Esq., of New York, the report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See Report, page 59.)

Adjourned after prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. A. Cleghorn, of Canada.

The Committee on Missions in the Mississippi Valley reported through Rev. H. G. Weston, Chairman.

The report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See Report, page 62.)

The Committee on Credentials of Delegates, reported through Rev. J. T. Seeley, Chairman; that but one Delegate was present, appointed according to the provision of the 3d Article of the Constitution, viz: Mr. F. J. Titus, Middletown, Butler County, Ohio. Report accepted.

The Committee on Missions on the Pacific Coast reported through Rev. J. Stevens, Chairman.

The Report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 63.)

On motion of Rev. J. R. Stone, of New York, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the wide field spread out before the American Baptist Home Mission Society—its innumerable and increasing facilities for preaching the gospel in all North America—the immense and awful responsibilities resting upon its Officers, Managers and Members—and its opening, startling, yet cheering prospects, combine to urge upon all our churches, its patrons, and its beneficiaries as well, to give the great objects and work of this Society a frequent and prominent place in the regular Monthly Missionary Concert of Prayer, and in their liberal plans of Christian beneficence.

On motion of Rev. A. P. Mason, of Mass., it was

Resolved, That this Society encourage the Executive Board in the prosecution of the great work committed to them, to expend \$60,000 during the coming year.

The Committee on Publications reported through Rev. S. D. Phelps, Chairman. The Report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 66.)

The Committee on the Labors and Results of the Society, reported through Rev. B. P. Byram. The report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 67.)

The Committee on Missions on Lake Superior Shore, reported through Rev. S. Chase, Chairman. The report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 68.)

Rev. A. P. Mason withdrew the notice given by him last year for an alteration of the Constitution.

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#### EVENING SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. H. C. Fish, of N. J.

The Committee on Obituaries reported through Rev. S. S. Cutting. The Report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 69).

The Committee on the Prospective Operations of the Society, reported through Rev. G. W. Harris, Chairman. The Report was accepted and ordered to be printed. (See page 70.)

On motion of Rev. L. Stone, of Ill., it was

Resolved, That the work of Home Missions in our country is increasing in its demands upon the efforts of the Baptist denomination, by reason of the prevalent spirit of immigration, and the scattered position of our American people, and on account of the number, character and influence of our growing foreign population.

On motion of Rev. M. B. Anderson, of New York, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society be presented to such Rail Road Companies and Steamboat Proprietors, as have furnished to its members excursion tickets by their respective lines of conveyance to and from this meeting.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Taggart, of New York, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be rendered to the families of this city, for the refined and generous hospitalities with which we have been entertained during our Anniversaries, and to the choir of the First Baptist Church for their aid in our devotional exercises.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Jirah D. Cole, of Ill.

#### SUNDAY-MAY 16th, 1852.

According to previous appointment the following brethren preached upon the subject of Home Missions, to crowded audiences, in the First Baptist

In the morning, Rev. E. Lathrop, of New-York, from 1 Cor. i: 20, and Luke vii: 22.

In the afternoon, Rev. E. G. Robinson, of Cincinnati, from Ps. cxlvii: 20. In the evening, Rev. R. H. Neale, D. D., of Boston, from John xix: 30. Morning prayer meetings for our country, were also held during the session.

#### MEETING OF OFFICERS AND LIFE DIRECTORS.

Immediately after the close of the session of the Society, the Officers and Life Directors assembled, for the purpose of electing fifteen Managers, who, together with the Officers, are to constitute the Executive Board for the ensuing year.

J. P. Crozer, Esq., of Pa., was called to the chair.

M. B. Anderson, W. Winterton, and J. M. Linnard, were appointed a Committee on Nomination.

The Committee reported a list of names as their nomination, all of whom were duly elected. (See page 4.)

Adjourned.

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HARLES J. MARTIN, Treasur

# AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing account, together with the vouchers connected therewith, and find the same correct. The balance in the hands of Charles J. Martin, Esq., Treasurer, in cash, is Six Thousand One Hundred and Fifteen 63-100 Dollars. He also holds Bills receivable, Four Hundred and Sixty Dollars. He has in his possession the following securities belonging to the Society, viz: Certificates of United States Loan for Two Thousand Dollars, bearing interest at six per cent, payable 12th Nov., 1866, and Brooklyn City Bond, bearing interest at six per cent, payable 1st January, 1863, for Five Hundred Dollars. GARRAT N. BLEECKER, Auditor. NRW YORK, April 1st, 1852.

\* See pages 15 and 16.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

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YEAR succeeds year in the cycles of time to produce and mark events in the history of man and of man's redemption from sin and death. The present year has already produced such events, among which may be registered as not insignificant, the one which gives name and character to the assemblage now in the Divine presence. It relates to the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ, to the establishment of his cause on earth, to the eternal salvation of souls, to the religious welfare of our nation.

The occasion of our present meeting—the occurrence of the anniversary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society—is an event wisely arranged for a review of the past proceedings of its Executive Board, and for mutual consultation respecting those of prospective interest. There are considerations from which a peculiar feature will be attached to this meeting. It is held, for the first time, within the limits of the principal missionary operations of the Society,—in the heart of its earliest labors, and at the seat of one of the churches which, though now prosperous and influential, was once young and feeble, and shared its first attention.\* It is where the Society and its missionaries—the

givers and receivers of its bounty—may meet together, reciprocate their sympathies, mingle their devotions, and stimulate each other to appropriate effort; where, by mutual explanations and counsels, a better knowledge of each other, of our respective plans of operation and needful improvements, may be attained; and where any particular policy may be established or modified by suggestions of practical experience. May the meeting be marked as a holy convocation of children of God, and by signal manifestations of that favor from above, by which alone true wisdom and profitable energy are exhibited in arrangements for promoting the glory of God and the best interests of man on earth. To aid in producing this needful and delightful end, the Executive Board now submit, as is required of them, a Report of their proceedings during the past year.

#### DEATHS.

Before entering upon the details of this constitutional duty, it is proper to pause on the recollection of some whose names are recorded on our rolls as members for life; but who, having fallen by the relentless hand of death, will mingle no more in our society on earth. Tidings have reached us of the decease, during the past year, of four directors and thirteen members for life, viz: Directors-Rev. Daniel Dodge, Pa.; Rev. W. H. Meritt, N. C.; Rev. O. J. Sherman, Ill.; and Mrs. Mary I. Hatt, of N. J. Members-Mrs. Julia Ann Humphrey, Mrs. Sarah A. Stone, Mrs. Jane E. Lathrop, Mrs. Eliza Ann Remington, Rev. Alfred Bennett, Rev. Daniel Hall, of New York; Mrs. Levi Tucker, and Mr. Amos Chase of Massachusetts; Mrs. Betsey H. Gibbs, of New Hampshire; Miss Olive P. Rider, Connecticut; Mrs. Eliza G. Shuck, Shanghai, China; Rev. B. Farnsworth, Kentucky; and Rev. S. S. Whitman, of Wisconsin. Among the number were six wives of ministers. They were all eminently useful women, occupying important positions in society, and widely scattering throughout their appropriate sphere the blessed influences of the religion which we preach to a

fallen world. In two instances those deaths brought sore bereavement upon individual members of the Board, and affliction upon the body. Six of the deceased were ministers of the gospel, one of whom was a missionary of the Society, Rev. S. S. Whitman, who occupied a new station at the capital of Wisconsin, and was evidently promoting the prosperity of his church, when he was suddenly arrested in his career and fell asleep in Christ.\*

There is consolation in the thought that though they are recorded as no longer among us, there is good reason to hope that their names are written in the Lamb's book of life, and that instead of toiling and suffering, as we have yet to do, they are enjoying the everlasting rest promised to ransomed souls in that gospel which they endeavored to spread among men.

In these bereavements we find additional reason for gratitude to God for our own exemption from death, and for his numerous mercies to ourselves while engaged in the business of the Society committed to our hands.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD.

REV. Stephen Remington having removed from the city of New York, his place in the Executive Board was supplied by the election of Rev. Joseph W. Taggart, of that city.

#### DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS FOR LIFE.

Numerous additions have been made to our list of life members and directors during the past year. Of the first there are 453 and of the second 44, including six who were previously members.

Of those who have been enrolled as such from the organization of the Society, 123 members and 38 directors have deceased.

The total number of life members at present is 2367,

<sup>\*</sup> See note B, page 36.

and of life directors, 367, which includes those who were originally members, and were made directors by additional contributions.

#### LEGACIES.

WE have been favored, during the past year, with the prompt payment of legacies from the estates of eight persons, viz., Joseph Flanders and William Williams, of New York; Eli Wiley and Jonathan W. Ford, of Massachusetts; and Miss Pharosene C. Kelly, of New Hampshire. Additions to previous receipts have been paid also from the estates of James Vanderpool, late of New Jersey, and Asa H. Trueman and Miss Rebecca Thompson, late of New York.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

Four thousand copies of the Nineteenth Annual Report were published and distributed early in the year. The monthly issues of the *Home Mission Record* now exceed sixteen thousand copies. Its circulation is extended to every State and Territory in the Union, with one exception, and appears to be accomplishing, to a good degree, the objects of its publication—the diffusion of information concerning the religious condition and wants of our country, intelligence of the operations of the Society, and plans for the more extensive promotion of its interests.

#### ADVISORY AGENCIES.

Soon after remodeling the Constitution of the Society in 1846, arrangements were made for obtaining reliable advice in relation to proper stations for missionaries, and suitable ministers to occupy them. Brethren, high in the confidence of the churches in their respective States, were selected for that purpose, and have performed good service for all parties interested; but it was an onerous and expensive service to individuals, and many difficulties presented themselves in the practical working of the system under which they were all organized. Those Agencies, therefore, with the exception

of that of Grande Ligne, are discontinued, and other methods have been adopted, by which information may be obtained with more definiteness, with greater dispatch, and with as much reliableness as heretofore.

#### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

THE following is a summary and practical view of the financial affairs of the Society during the past year, and of their condition at the present time:

Balance from last year's account, \$3,09	
Cash receipts from all sources	5 36
Making the total amount of cash in the Treasury for the year ending 31st 42,98	4 91
The total amount of disbursements for the same period, was	9 28
Leaving a balance in the Treasury at the present time of	5 63
The total liabilities of the Society on 31st March, 1852, amounted to\$30,21  And the available resources at the same period were	
Showing a balance against the Society at the close of the year of\$22,29	7 40
Of the above amount of cash receipts, there were in contributions, legacies and donations	4 16
Being an increase over the amount received from the same sources last year of 8,90	
Of the above amount of liabilities, there are due to missionaries, for service performed up to the 1st of April, and liable to immediate demand	8 28
Add for Drafts upon the Treasurer, now afloat	5 24
In addition to the above, there will be due, on the 1st July, to missionaries, now in the field, for services performed, from April 1st	1 64
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Additions to the amount of liabilities will, doubtless, be made, as heretofore, previous to the first of July, by the appointment of missionaries, equalling fully, the amount of receipts into the Treasury from the 1st of April to that date.

It is proper to state that, although a large balance of cash is reported as being in the Treasury on the 31st of March, a great proportion of it was paid in on that day, leaving the Executive Board no opportunity to appropriate it or any part of it, for the payment of old liabilities or the appointment of new missionaries.

The above statements shew that the necessity for funds to

carry forward the great object of the Society is not at all diminished but increased. Unless the cash receipts for the ensuing year are greater than those of the past one, the operations of the Board must be conducted with much restraint.

It is again respectfully suggested that if funds intended for the Treasury could be forwarded earlier in the year than the last month, it would enable the Board to arrange their plans for the much greater convenience of the ministers of the gospel and feeble churches depending upon their appropriations for supplies.

#### MISSIONARY OPERATIONS.

The Reports of the missionaries for the past year contain evidence of their industry and general success. In most instances, encouraging advances have been made at their respective stations. A considerable number have reported the existence of revivals among their congregations at different periods of the year, some of which have proved unusually powerful and beneficial to the churches.

#### EASTERN AND MIDDLE STATES.

The Board have had but four missionaries in commission in the Atlantic States during the year, and those were for short periods—the closing up of previous engagements. The missionary Conventions of those States are vigilant, liberal, and persevering in their domestic missionary efforts, and thus leave the Society more at liberty to extend their labors beyond the Alleghany mountains. There are, therefore, now, no places requiring the particular attention of the Board in those States, except in Delaware, where there is no convention. At Dover, in that State, a church has been constituted and a meeting-house so far completed as to admit of public worship being held in it, and appropriations are made from our treasury for the support of the gospel in the church, with reason to believe that they are profitable to the cause of true religion.

#### OHIO. Who are the most and a prime?

THE churches of Canton and Massillon have been added during the past year, to the number aided in the State of Ohio; and there is good reason to expect speedy and permanent advantage to the cause of Christ from the arrangement.

The church at Columbus has reached that pleasant epoch in their history, when they may consistently look forward to a career of usefulness, unrestrained by pecuniary embarrassment, and independent of missionary aid. We shall, henceforth, probably find them contributors, instead of receivers, of missionary funds.

In this State we have had three missionaries. They have supplied four stations and out-stations, and baptized thirteen persons.

#### MICHIGAN.

Bur little change has taken place in our interests in Michigan. The Convention of that State have performed some domestic missionary labor, though it is believed that far more was needed. To relieve that body as much as consistent, the Board have had under appointment in that State thirteen missionaries, from whom we have received reports of two revivals of religion, 113 baptisms, 1 church organized, 2 meeting-houses finished, and 2 in progress of building.

#### INDIANA.

The general and sectional Associations of the State of Indiana have given a new direction to a portion of their funds. They have been passed through our treasury with special designation for expenditure within the bounds of their respective organizations. This has been done, in every case, with advantage to themselves, an additional amount having been appropriated from the treasury of the Society for the support of the missionaries designated. By this means the ability of our friends to spread the gospel has been considerably increased.

The number of missionaries employed in that State by the

Society has been 19, exclusive of an Exploring Agent. From five to ten more should be added to the number as early in the ensuing year as possible. The missionaries report 134 baptisms, one church organized, two houses of worship finished, and four in course of building.

#### ILLINOIS.

In the State of Illinois our plans have been carried forward with usual attention to the general wants of the State, selecting such points for immediate occupancy as seemed most urgently to require it. The whole number of missionaries in this field, including an Exploring Agent in the northern part, was thirty-six, among whom were three German preachers,\* who have labored with encouraging success among their countrymen, and one of them to some extent among French settlers. The reports of all show one hundred and fourteen stations and out-stations supplied, revivals at eight places, four hundred and seventy-four baptisms, two churches organized, three meeting-houses finished, four in progress, and three churches needing no further aid.

#### WISCONSIN.

The social condition and prospects of Wisconsin have claimed the attention of the Board, and caused unusual anxiety to provide religious influences to meet the peculiar necessities of the people. Inhabited to a great extent by immigrants from European localities, it has been our earnest desire to place among them preachers who could speak their language, and were familiar with their national customs and feelings; but the difficulties in the way were numerous, and some delay has been preferred to any premature movement. But the Board have availed themselves of all the means in their power, to plant the gospel in the principal villages of the State, and to strengthen the churches in their efforts to

<sup>\*</sup> One of the number was baptized in Hamburg, by Rev. J. G. Oncken, at an early period of his ministry.

counteract the sin, and popery, and infidelity, which have come in the train of foreign immigration.

The number of missionaries employed in this State is twenty-four, including an Exploring Agent. They have supplied sixty-seven stations and report revivals at three places, one hundred and fourteen baptisms, four churches organized, one meeting-house finished and one in progress.

#### IOWA.

Our affairs in Iowa continue, upon the whole, to improve; but the population of the State has rapidly increased, and with it the necessity for greater missionary effort. The course of our brethren in that State is onward, and our missionaries have been active and successful. Eighteen missionaries and an Exploring Agent have occupied that field, who have supplied forty-two stations and out-stations, and baptized two hundred persons. They also report revivals at six places, one church organized, one meeting-house finished, and five in building.

From five to ten additional ministers should enter that State immediately, but many others are needed.

#### MINNESOTA.

Our progress in Minnesota has been somewhat retarded by circumstances which could not have been foreseen by the Board, and over which they had no control. The pastor of the church at St. Paul left that place on a temporary arrangement, to obtain funds to complete their house of worship; he was absent several months, and suddenly died on his homeward journey. The pastor of the church at St. Anthony resigned his charge and abandoned the field. A vigorous effort was made to introduce another minister, which would have been successful but for the unusually early suspension of navigation on the Mississippi river, and the impracticability of travelling by land in that region in the winter. In consequence of those events, we have had but one missionary in that interesting field for several months.

Nevertheless, progress has been made. Three missionaries have labored in the field, and five stations have been supplied some portion of the year, one person has been baptized, one house of worship has been completed and another so far finished as to admit of public worship being held in it. A church also has been organized, chiefly from members of one of the original three in the territory, which, though situated at Willow river, a village across the line, in Wisconsin, is essentially a constituent portion of our denominational strength in Minnesota. They are already supplied with a pastor, who is also under our appointment. The churches of St. Paul and St. Anthony will be immediately supplied,—making our number of missionaries in that Territory, four,—which is sufficient for the present.

#### OREGON.

ONE of the three missionaries mentioned in our last report as being under appointment in Oregon decided to sustain himself, and has not acted under our commission. The two who were reported as prosecuting their journey thither over land, have reached the field and are engaged in missionary labors and forwarding the educational interests of that territory. One of the original missionaries has been appointed an exploring agent for that territory, but a principle duty of his appointment will be to itinerate generally as a preacher of the gospel. Thus we have in Oregon at the present time four missionaries, unless, as is somewhat probable, one of the number may have decided to labor without aid from the Society.

In either case the increased emigration to that territory and the multiplication of settlements require an addition of some two or three suitable missionaries as soon as they can be secured and sent.

The missionaries have supplied ten stations and out-stations, and one person has been baptized.

#### CALIFORNIA.

THE interests of the Society in California are not at present

as promising as they were at an earlier period. The original church in San Francisco is destitute of a pastor, and some settlements and villages presenting prospects of permanency and growth, are without the benefit of any of our regular preachers, while families and individuals reside in them who would appreciate their ministry, and contribute to their support.

The Executive Board, aware of the real necessities of that State, have diligently sought for men of proper qualifications to enter it as missionaries. They have, however, succeeded in securing the services of but one. It is hoped that he will very shortly proceed to his important field.

The only missionary in that State, at present, from whom we claim reports, has supplied four stations and out-stations; has enjoyed a revival of religion, and baptized twenty-four persons.

Several other missionaries are needed in that State at once.

#### NEW MEXICO.

Since our last Report two missionaries have reached New Mexico, and are now occupying fields of usefulness. One at Santa Fe, the other in the vicinity of Albuquerque. Rev. H. W. Read left the Territory last fall, accompanied by his wife, chiefly on account of her health. They have been engaged during the winter, in visiting the churches of the Atlantic States, and spreading information concerning their field of labor. The improved state of Mrs. Read's health has warranted their return to New Mexico, and they are now pursuing their journey thither.

The mission to this Territory is attended with peculiar difficulties. Its geographical position is interior and isolated; its native inhabitants are only partially civilized Mexicans, warlike and even cruel savages, and a comparatively few Americans, a considerable portion of whom are indifferent to the religious or moral improvement of society. The prevalent and almost universal religion, is a species of Romanism,

or, as it has been called, of Mexicanism. The practical fruits of which are seen in the extreme ignorance and dark moral turpitude of the people. With no commerce or manufactures as the base of enterprise; with only a limited agriculture, and this constantly liable to savage incursion and depredation, the people, who are naturally indolent, are addicted to vice, and accustomed to yield their consciences to the keeping of those whose interests are best promoted by perpetuating ignorance and winking at sin. A prominent element of the struggle on this field, therefore, will be that of divine revelation against human tradition; of scriptural practice against puerile ceremonies; of the purity and holiness of the Bible against the sensuality and pollution of ignorant, deprayed, and degraded human appetites. This struggle must be commenced with powerful odds against evangelical instrumentalities, but, with the encouragements of the word of God, should be commenced and firmly persevered in, as circumstances require.

New Mexico must become a highway of intercourse between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts; "it is known to contain much fertile land, to abound in rich mines of the precious metals, and to be capable of sustaining a large population."\* Ere long protection will be afforded to the mineralogist and miner against the savage tribes; its gold and silver will be disemboweled; an American population will preponderate; villages and cities will spring into existence; society will assume new features; and evangelical institutions and influences will be increasingly necessary. Having reasonable grounds for such anticipations, and having already material to work upon in missionary labor, it cannot be matter of serious inquiry whether we should relax our efforts in that field.

#### CANADA.

Owing to the occurrence of some unexpected differences among the churches and ministers of Canada (West,) but little,

<sup>\*</sup> President Polk's Message to Congress, 1848.

comparatively, has been done there. The Province was visited for a few weeks, however, by one of the Agents of the Society, whose reports on several points encourage the hope of the restoration of an order of things that will, ere long, admit of efficient efforts for the up-building of the cause of gospel truth and simplicity in future.

During the year five missionaries and an Exploring Agent have labored more or less in this field, they have supplied six stations, and baptized eighty persons. Three of the churches need no further aid.

#### GRANDE LIGNE.

REGULAR but gradual advance has been made in Eastern Canada by the missionaries of the Grande Ligne stations. A new place of worship has been built, and is nearly finished, at the station occupied by the late Dr. Cote; one of the missionaries has recently established a station in the city of Montreal, where access is gained to the best educated and influential classes of young men, who listen attentively and respectfully to the arguments and appeals of the faithful minister employed there. A monthly paper, printed in French, and devoted to the interests of evangelical religion, is also circulated freely and extensively among them, and is producing favorable effects.

Unassuming as this mission is in character, and gradual as are its advances, it is unquestionably evangelical in its aim, sure in its progress, and will be successful in its object.

At these stations six missionaries have been in commission, who supplied nineteen stations and out-stations, and baptized thirteen persons. One house of worship has been built.

#### SUMMARY OF LABORS AND RESULTS.

THE number of ministers who have labored as missionaries or agents of the Society the past year, and whose names appear in the Missionary Table, page 38, is 149. Of that number 96 were in commission April 1st, 1851. The remaining 53 were new appointments made at different periods of the

year. From four of the latter number no reports have been received or were due at the close of the past missionary year. Eleven other ministers are under appointment, whose labors commenced after the 31st of March, the close of the year, and, consequently, are not enumerated with the above. Eight who were under appointment some portion of the year, need no further aid from the Society, and therefore cease to be considered as its missionaries.

The missionaries have been distributed as follows: In Canada, (West) 5; Grande Ligne Stations, Canada, (East) 6; New Hampshire, 1; New York, 2; Delaware, 1; Ohio, 3; Michigan, 13; Indiana, 20; Illinois, 36; Wisconsin, 24; Iowa, 19; Minnesota, 3; Oregon, 4; California, 1; New Mexico, 3. Besides these, 8 Collecting Agents have been employed.

The number of States, Territories and Provinces occupied, is 14. The number of stations and out-stations supplied, is 380, and the aggregate amount of time bestewed upon the field is equal to that of one man for ninety-nine years.\*

The missionaries report the baptism of 1187 persons; the organization of 46 churches; and the ordination of 27 ministers.†

Eleven houses of worship have been completed, and 19 are in progress of building.

The churches aided by the Society, have contributed to the usual objects of Christian benevolence, \$3111.64, and about \$12,738 for the support of their ministers.

The 11 ministers under appointment to commence labors from or after April 1st, are designated as follows. At Grande

<sup>\*</sup> In addition to the above, the missionaries report having preached 14,068 sermons, delivered 825 lectures, or public addresses on moral and benevolent subjects; made 22,578 pastoral visits; attended 8049 prayer and other religious meetings; obtained 1084 signatures to the temperance pledge; and travelled 118,057 miles in discharge of their duty. The Monthly Concert of Prayer is observed at 77 stations. Connected with the churches are 182 Sunday Schools and 94 Bible Classes, having 1185 teachers and 9104 scholars, and furnished with 22,669 volumes in their libraries.

<sup>†</sup> An unusual number of missionaries were absent from their stations a portion of the year, or removed before the expiration of their appointments, in consequence of which a smaller aggregate of them is reported than usual.

Ligne Station, 1; Ohio, 1; Indiana, 1; Illinois, 1, Wisconsin, or Iowa, 4; Minnesota, 2; California, 1.

# DECENNIAL REVIEW.

WE celebrate, to-day, the second decennial Anniversary of this Society, which, like the first, furnishes a proper opportunity for a general review of its operations and their results.

Ten years ago, the States of Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri, with Eastern Iowa and Texas, formed the western boundary of American civilization. All beyond was a vast and almost unknown wilderness, inhabited chiefly by savage tribes, and but imperfectly civilized Mexicans. The population of the United States and its Territories somewhat exceeded seventeen millions.

The extreme western limits to which the efforts of this Society had been carried at that time, were to a few points of Western Missouri, and in Eastern Texas, which then existed as an independent government. Its labors were chiefly performed east of the Mississippi river. The eastern, middle, and Southern States, however, rarely solicited the aid of the Society, preferring, except in special cases, to supply the destitution within their respective borders by their own means, and to furnish our treasury extra contributions for the spread of the Gospel in younger and more dependent States. The number of missionaries employed up to that time, the aggregate of their labors, and their results, as near as could be ascertained, are given in the Tenth Annual Report of the Society.

From the period alluded to, the operations of the Society were extended in every part of the general field open to its efforts, as opportunity and means allowed. In the early part of the decade additional missionaries were sent to Florida, and even to one of its islands in the Gulf of Mexico; the corps in Texas was strengthened; Arkansas was thoroughly explored, and arrangements were made for the supply of its destitute places, based upon information acquired by our

Exploring Agent in that State. Iowa and Wisconsin, also, received special attention, while, among the older settlements of the Valley of the Mississippi, and in Canada (West,) the labors of the Society were greatly increased.

In the spring of the year 1845, a controversy upon the subject of domestic slavery, which had existed in the Society for some years, reached its crisis, and produced a separation. The organization of a missionary body in the slave-holding States immediately followed, through which, a large number of members residing therein, have since chosen to promote their Home Mission interests. Consequently, nothing has been done there by this Society for several years, except to complete arrangements previously made, and which we were bound by principles of honor and justice to perform. The operations of the Society have been directed since that period with but two exceptions\* to those States only, where slave-holding is not legalized.

Up to the year 1846 the Society had acted under a general auxiliary system, by which State Conventions, Local Associations, and Primary Societies were considered its subsidiaries; and multifarious, irresponsible affinities were created and endowed with rights equal to those of the most responsible and useful memberships. A series of evils naturally followed, injuriously affecting not only the free, efficient action of the Executive Boards, but also of the affiliated bodies in different sections of the country. The defection of southern members furnished a fit opportunity for remedying those evils, and at the Anniversary of 1846 radical changes were made in the Constitution of the Society, by which it became a distinct, independent body, with properly defined character and powers. Its usefulness and prosperity have, since then, gradually but steadily advanced.

Although the expediency and necessity of active efforts in the Southern and other Atlantic States of the Union do not

<sup>\*</sup> One is the State of Delaware where the Society supports a missionary; the other was the employment of a German preacher among the Germans in St. Louis, Mo.

exist as formerly, a train of providential events has rolled upon the Society, necessities much more urgent and important than were previously experienced or could have been readily anticipated. The territorial possessions of the United States, including Oregon, have been increased more than half as much as the entire area of those possessions ten years ago. It is an increase of territory nearly equal to that of the whole of Europe, Russia only excepted. The entire domain now extends from the Atlantic ocean to the Pacific, and from the British possessions to the river Gila and the Rio Grande del Norte. Its population now exceeds twenty-three millions. Three great Territories and one State have been organized west of the Rocky Mountains, and another at the head waters of the Mississippi river, all of which are accessible to our missionaries, and all of which, except one, have required and received the favorable attention of this Society. Minnesota, Oregon, California, and New Mexico, present us wide and important fields of missionary usefulness. The same may be said prospectively of Utah, but some providential divergence from great religious and political eccentricity among its inhabitants seems necessary to warrant expectation of speedy success of efforts for their good. Besides these, the stations of the Grande Ligne mission, in Canada, have been added to our field, and furnish opportunities of considerable influence among the Roman Catholic population of that Province.

Of the general population of the country, including the original inhabitants of New Mexico and California, near two millions are estimated as Roman Catholics,\* and many thousands (say a quarter of a million,) of others are people, not only of no particular religious partialities, but decided unbelievers in Christianity and avowed opposers of its principles—people of infidel sentiments and tendencies—chiefly foreigners of recent immigration. Every section of Europe is largely represented in the annual increase of population, and the commencement is made for those of Asia to follow.† The

<sup>\*</sup> See Note C, page 36.

<sup>†</sup> Ten thousand Chinese are supposed to have immigrated to California within the last three years.

immediate effect is the introduction and wide diffusion among us of a variety of languages, creating no small degree of confusion in social intercourse, and making a knowledge and practical use of those languages essential to the preacher of the gospel. New habits and customs, and new religious forms, and errors, and prejudices, are now encountered by the home missionary—such as excite the charity and self-denial of those who select their fields in foreign lands; and so far as he meets and contends against them, he performs the work of a foreign missionary at home.

The decennary has been marked by other changes in the character and pursuits of our people; among which is noticed a remarkable development of the military spirit produced by a successful war of conquest,-and a widely diffused and active ambition for power and wealth, caused by the geographical position and natural advantages of our country, and the discovery of precious mineral treasures in its soil, within the reach of the masses. It is an ambition too often indulged at the expense of the religious interests of man, and the prosperity of the churches of Christ, and is facilitated by those wonderful advances of science and the arts, which have made commercial intercourse with all the world but little more than recreation, and written correspondence but little less rapid than mental volition. Many forms of religious error, fanaticism and infidelity, borne on the overflowing tide of immigration, have been extensively introduced among us, and in too great a degree countenanced and strengthened, in some portions of our field, by the great variety of social influences peculiar to new communities lacking the regular instructions of a competent ministry. But it must be recorded among the favorable appearances of the past ten years, that while these influences have existed and grown stronger upon the whole, those of Christ's kingdom, also, have increased and been made strong in full as large, if not a larger proportion.

So far as the Baptist denomination is concerned, it consisted in 1842 of about 500,000 communicants,\* 7000 churches, and

<sup>\*</sup> See note D, page 36.

4000 ministers. Its last published statistics, made up from data obtained last year, shew 719,290 communicants, 8872 churches, and 6612 ministers.

In 1832 a spirit of opposition to missionary effort very extensively prevailed, especially in the Western States. In 1842 that spirit had, evidently, received a check; and, at the present time, though its chilling influence is still felt, especially in districts which the Home Missionary has not yet occupied, it is clearly disappearing. Heterogeneous as is the population in origin, education, character and habits, it is not to be wondered at that prejudices, antagonistic preferences and jealousies, have too generally existed, to weaken, if not neutralize, the influence of ministers of Christ, and clog the efficient action of gospel institutions; but even these have become less potent, and the missionary now labors among the people with more satisfactory ground of hope. God is evidently bringing his own people out of darkness into light, and uniting them in the great work of the world's conversion, just as the world is beginning to concentrate among them numerous representatives of its varied population and rebellion against his government.

Such is the present field of the Home Mission Society, and such are the mental and moral elements among which its missionaries are called to labor. The difficulties in the way of a proper discharge of their duty, are neither few nor small, but hitherto they have been met and many of them have been overcome. The good results are numerous and encourage future effort.

#### DECENNIAL RESULTS.

During the decennial period just closed, the Board have employed 877 ministers of the gospel, the aggregate of whose labors are equal to those of one man for 828 years. As a part of the results of their labors, they have baptized 9,468 persons, organized 354 churches, ordained 246 ministers, and obtained 15,263 signatures to the temperance pledge. The people under their pastoral care have built 105 houses of

worship, the most of which are unincumbered with debt; and while struggling with difficulties and bearing heavy burdens to maintain the gospel among themselves, they have paid for various objects of Christian benevolence, not less than \$1,8845 57.

Sixty-five of the churches, once aided, have become sufficiently able to dispense with that aid, and to sustain the gospel themselves. These, with others, once under our care, and many more influenced by their example, are now cheerful contributors to the fund of benevolence annually raised to spread the gospel to the ends of the earth.

#### TOTAL RESULTS.

By adding the above statistics\* to those reported at the termination of the first ten years of our operations, it appears that the total number of missionaries who have acted under our commission, is 1633; that they have jointly performed 1428 years of labor, baptized 20,467 persons,† organized 785 churches,‡ ordained 406 men to the work of the gospel ministry; and the people among whom they have labored have built, and in most cases paid for, at least 144 houses of worship.§

In these representations very satisfactory evidence will be found of the importance and utility of the Society's operations; of its beneficial influence in the conversion of sinners; the upbuilding and establishment of gospel churches, and the reformation of public morals. And yet these are but a part of the known and acknowledged results of its operations. Many, very many of its benefits to a fallen world are yet to be learned amidst the glorious developments of eternity around the throne of the Most High.

#### A GLANCE AT THE ENTIRE PAST.

A glance at the progress of this Society, since its organization in 1832, will serve to show that "hitherto hath the Lord

<sup>\*</sup>See note E, page 36. † See note F, page 37. ‡ See note G, page 37. § See note H, page 37.

helped us," and we have occasion to be grateful. At that time, lacking experience, feeble in resources, discouraged by the misgivings of friends, and the indifference or prejudices of others, its "Executive Committee" hardly dared to expect that they could soon establish successful missions in the then far western valley of the Mississippi; nevertheless being stimulated by the counsels of the devoted Jonathan Going, the first Corresponding Secretary, and by the Divine command, they made their beginning. It was generally supposed that the effort would be carried forward chiefly, if not entirely, among Americans-emigrants from the older States-families and individuals educated in the faith and practice of our churches-sheep and lambs of the flock of Christ, accustomed to the care of our pastors. Existing feeble churches of such were to be supplied with the gospel, and others were to be gathered from among the scattered and wandering of the same classes. The religious faith and forms of the foreigner on the one hand, or his open infidelity and bold opposition to Christianity on the other, were then comparative novelties: they were taught in whisper tones; received and supported by only a few admirers; their dangerous character was but little heeded by the multitude, and their early development scarcely anticipated by the most vigilant.

The principal part of the appointments for the first year were for Kentucky and Ohio. A few others were scattered over thirteen States and Territories, though, in some instances, only a single missionary occupied an entire State. None of those appointed in Kentucky, and but about half the number in Ohio, appear to have acted upon their appointment, so that but twenty-seven were in commission beyond the Alleghany mountains, the aggregate of whose labors scarcely exceeded those of one man for six years.

Michigan and Arkansas were then new Territories, and to undertake a mission to Missouri, beyond the Mississippi river, was considered a fete of missionary daring, which but few persons were ready to attempt. Thus comparatively

circumscribed was the field, and thus feeble was the first attempt to cultivate it.

## A SKETCH OF THE PRESENT.

SINCE then, the population of the United States has nearly doubled, and five States and four organized Territories have been added to our national galaxy. Our missionaries are now found a considerable distance along the line separating the United States from the British Possessions on the north, and beyond that line into Canada; in all the free States of the Mississippi valley; in Oregon and California, on the coast of the Pacific ocean; and in New Mexico, in the interior West.

Of the Southern States, which at present receive no attention from us, it only need be said, as of more northern Atlantic States, our aid is unnecessary. The Baptists in those States are abundantly able to promote their domestic missionary interests, and to spread the gospel in those more needy ones directly west of them. Mexico is as yet inaccessible to active evangelical effort, Central America presents but doubtful encouragement for it, and Utah seems destined for a time to be as the heath in the desert. But aside of these, how greatly extended is the field of actual labor,\* and what deep interest should be felt for its proper cultivation! New States have sprung into existence, with resources and means for social prosperity and greatness, at points least expected, and in political and commercial respects, of incalculable importance to our country, but the foreign element is every where present in our population, and always associated to a greater or less degree, with the religious or irreligious peculiarities of the localities from whence it emanates: these are, in general, direct antagonisms of the ancient religion and morals of our people, and they are no longer proclaimed, in the whispers of conscious intrusion, but in the loud notes of bold assault. An advance in missionary effort, proportioned

<sup>\*</sup> See Note I, page 37.

to so great an advance, and in some respects so unfavorable a change of our country, though very necessary, is difficult, especially with so many expensive stations to provide for, which Divine Providence has opened, and so small an amount of means as is entrusted to our care. But the Board are doing what they can. The number of missionaries employed is larger than ever before. Even beyond the Mississippi river, there are as many in commission as occupied the entire field beyond the Alleghany Mountains during the first year of the Society's operations, and with those at other points, are usefully and successfully employed. The cause is evidently on the advance.

#### AN ANTICIPATION OF THE FUTURE.

THE future, however, demands our attention. As intelligent Christians, we may, from observation of the past, from present signs of the times, and from the teachings of the Book of God, anticipate, to some extent, our general line of duty. We have been allowed to enter the field, to scatter precious seed, and to gather rich harvests, but it should be understood that we have made only an entrance. It is yet almost entirely before us, presenting wide wastes, and inviting much cultivation. Those wastes must be made fruitful, and means must be provided for that end. To remain amidst scenes of present labor and success, is to loiter in the path of duty. Merely to maintain our present position, if that were possible, where every thing around us is advancing with rapid strides, would be to squander our Lord's talents. But that is impossible. God in his providence has said to us, "go forward." The pillar of cloud and of fire is in motion, and for us to stand still, even from a desire to see his salvation, is to be left of God without his special presence or his aid-it is to retrograde in our course: and to retrograde is death. Onward in the path of duty, by all means and at all hazards, is the only honorable and safe course before us.

The religious necessities of our country ought to be relieved, and this Society should do its full share in relieving them. Those necessities demand more of the spirit and power of Christian missions than have been heretofore developed. This Society, if it would, cannot now labor efficiently by adhering to any particular line of policy adapted to its earlier history. It must seek to promote its great fundamental object by plans and means adapted to the progress of society and the changes of our country and our countrymen. All Europe is pouring her population among us, and will continue to do so for a long time to come. Our country also has stretched out her arms, and encompassed in her embrace large numbers of unenlightened foreigners. Materialism, and Pantheism, and Deism, and Romanism.-all religious errors and delusions, -seem to be concentrating in our midst, as if for their last despairing onset upon the truth and righteousness of God, and it should be our aim to promote their great and final discomfiture. We should be fully prepared to advance in our efforts with the advance of the community; to throw out our pioneers in every new Territory; to furnish pastors for the churches of every new State, and establish evangelical defences against the assaults of the powers of darkness in all the field. But this is not all. The gospel should be borne by us as soon as possible to the extreme southern verge of North America, so that amidst the gloom and darkness which now brood fearfully there over human mind, the rays of the Sun of righteousness may beam as brightly and joyously as they do with ourselves; removing ignorance, and delusion, and error, and sin in every form, and making men's thoughts and consciences enlightened and free. The attempt is encouraged by the sure word of prophecy and the manifest Providence of God.

While, therefore, it will be the duty of this Society, as shepherds, to feed the sheep and lambs of Christ's fold as heretofore, it must also toil with equal zeal as fishermen, in casting the gospel net among the good and the bad of our native and adopted fellow-countrymen, and endeavoring to draw them to the shores of consistency, truth and life. Without a figure, the work of this Society must henceforth be,

to no small extent, the work of foreign missions at home, and it must be performed as foreign missionaries perform theirs, by preaching the gospel, through every accustomed mode, as far as necessity requires, in the languages spoken among us: and ministers of the gospel should be educated in those languages to do it. Freely have we received of God the truth. Freely should we give it to those whom his providence gathers around us. Nor should we cease to act in this great work, until the pure institutions of the gospel prevail in all the land and the necessity for our presence no longer exists,—until, by the universal prevalence of the gospel and its sanctifying influences in all the field, it may literally be called Immanuel's land and a mountain of holiness.

By order of the Executive Board,

BENJAMIN M. HILL, Cor. Secretary.

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# NOTES TO THE ANNUAL REPORT.

#### NOTE A.

Annual Report, page 11. The sixth appointment by the Executive Committee, accepted and acted on, was that of Rev. S. R. Clark on the 23d May, 1832. On that appointment he labored in Cleveland six months.

#### NOTE B.

Annual Report, page 13. Besides the persons named in the Report, another missionary (Rev. J. P. Parsons, of Minnesota) and four missionaries' wives, not members, have deceased, viz: Mrs. Wm. F. Boyakin, and Mrs. S. Kupfer, of Illinois; Mrs. J. A. Nash, of Iowa; and Mrs. J. Jones, of Ia.

#### NOTE C.

Annual Report, page 27. The Metropolitan Catholic Almanac estimates the Catholic population of the United States, obtained, as it says, from official sources, at 1,600,000, and, by adding the *supposed* population of the dioceses of St. Louis, Boston, Galveston. St Paul, and the Indian Territory, makes the total population 1,980,000.

The correctness of the numbers given for Oregon and California is liable to some doubt, and the assumed numbers are probably too large, especially in Minnesota (St. Paul) and the Indian Territory. It is safe, however, to allow the estimate as given.

In the "Summary of the Catholic church in the United States" the statistics of each dioces and each ecclesiastical province! are given, showing in the aggregate 6 archbishops, 26 bishops, 1,385 priests, and 1,411 churches, distributed over 34 dioceses and 2 Apostolic vicariates. During the year 1851, there was an accession of 1 archbishop, 1 bishop, and 114 priests.

While but comparatively few Roman Catholics are converts from evangelical denominations of Christians in the United States, and their accessions of priests and people, are chiefly from foreign lands, it is well to bear in mind the number they claim, and, especially, the fact that a very large proportion of them are foreigners by birth, ignorant of the true idea of civil and religious liberty; under the constant instructions of foreigners, themselves trained under the restraints of a foreign despotism, owing allegiance to a foreign potentate, and yet, to a wide extent, exercising the rights of American citizens.

It will be well, also, for evangelical Christians in the land to seriously consider their duty towards these hundreds of thousands of their fellow citizens, and devise some effectual plan for their real benefit. Thousands of conversions from Romanism have occurred in Ireland. The occurrence of such conversions in this country, including many reported by the missionaries of this Society, is no uncommon event, and with proper attention and the usual blessing of God they may be more frequent.

#### NOTE D.

Annual Report, page 28. The foregoing statistics show the number of actual communicants, or members, in good and full standing in the denomination—a plan which differs from some other denominations, who include nominal members. With this plan of reporting as the base of calculation, and certain facts ascertained at different localities, it is a fair estimate to consider the adherents of the Baptist denomination as constituting nearly one-fifth of the population of the United States and its Territories.

#### NOTE E.

Annual Report, page 30. The statistics of the denomination given in our Report do not include Anti-Mission Baptists, though symbolizing in many respects with those who favor missionary effort. As a missionary body our object is to show the numerical strength of those who promote Christian missions. It is proper, however, to add in this note, that the Anti-Mission Baptists number 64,738 members, 2,023 churches, and 1,005 ministers.

#### NOTE F.

Annual Report, page 30. It is a prominent and fundamental, if not peculiar feature of Baptist principles and practice, that none are considered fit subjects for baptism or membership in a church of Jesus Christ, until credible evidence is gained of their repentance toward God and faith in Christ.

How pleasant the reflection that with all due allowance for the fallibility of human judgment respecting such evidence, not far from a thousand persons, hopefully born of God through the santification of the Spirit and belief of the truth as preached by our missionaries, have been baptized and added annually to the churches which have been aided by this Society. How many thousands of others have been won to Christ by the same instrumentality, but did not receive baptism at the hands of our missionaries, it is impossible to determine, but it is known that they are very numerous.

#### NOTE G.

Annual Report, page 30. By a recent imperfect examination of records and documents it is ascertained that 785 churches have been organized by our missionaries in 26 States and Territories of the United States and the Canadas. Others have doubtless been formed of which no report was made to us. The States where none have been organized are in the extreme eastern and southern divisions of the Union, where we have employed but very few or no missionaries.

#### NOTE H.

Annual Report, page 30. In nearly every State where our missionaries have labored, more or less houses of worship have been wholly or in part built or purchased, as a portion of the fruit of their labors. This is more particularly true in the North Western States where they are found in a large proportion of the principal cities and villages.

The records of the Society for the first eight years furnish but few statistics of any sort, but we have been able, with only a hasty search of such as we could use for the purpose, to collect the following items. They show as far as can be ascertained without much more labor than we have time to bestow, the number of principal cities and villages in each State, Territory, and Province whose missionaries have labored as pastors, except New York and the New England States, and the number of houses of worship built at such places as the fruit of their ministry. These are exclusive of a very large number of fields occupied by itinerant preachers, and there is good reason to believe that at many points in those fields pastoral labor was performed and meeting houses were built of which no record was ever made in our books.

STATES.	Cities and Villages.	Meeting Houses.	STATES.	Cities and Villages	Meeting Houses.
Pennsylvania	6	1	Tennessee	11	2
Ohio	49	10	Arkansas	13	1
Indiana	69	20	Texas	8	1
Illinois.	108	34	Louisiana.	3	1
michigan	68	23	Mississippi		1
WISCOUSIN	55	12	Florida	4	1
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minnesota	3	2	N. Carolina	3	1
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new Mexico.	2	1	Delaware		2
	98	3	Maryland	7	1
Kentucky	8	3	Canada		9

#### NOTE I.

Annual Report, page 32. A voyage entirely by sea to our stations on the Pacific coast requires about as much time as a voyage to Burmah or China. A journey by land can be effected in scarcely less time. Only a few years since the most frequent route for the correspondence of our missionaries in Oregon was by the way of the Sandwich Islands and around Cape Horn. That correspondence was, sometimes, nearly a year from its date in reaching the place of its destination.

# EXPLANATION OF THE MISSIONARY TABLE.

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#### The parallel columns shew:

- 1. The names of agents and missionaries, and the States in which they reside.
- 2. The Post-office address of agents and missionaries.
- 3. The fields of labor occupied by agents and missionaries.
- 4. The dates at which the appointments commence.
- 5. The number of months for which the appointments are respectively made.
- 6. The number of weeks labor reported as having been performed during an appointment.
- 7. The number of stations and out-stations supplied.\*
- 8. The number of persons baptized by the missionaries within the time of appointment.
- 9. The number of scholars in Sabbath schools under the care of missionaries.†
- 10. The number of pupils in the Bible classes.
- 11. The number of volumes in the libraries of their Sabbath schools.
- 12. Additional facts reported concerning the state and progress of the churches.I

#### NOTES.

\* Stations are churches or villages regularly supplied on the Lord's-day, and are indicated in column 3. Out-stations are places where the missionaries have *stated* appointments for preaching more or less frequently at other times than the Lord's-day.

† In new places where Union schools are established, the number of scholars connected with Baptist families only are reported.

‡ In many cases two lines appear for the same missionary, extending through all the columns. In such cases the second line indicates a re-appointment of the missionary and the dates in column 4 determine to which appointment or year the statistics and remarks on the different lines belong. A particular notice of those dates is necessary to a proper understanding of certain changes which appear against the names of some individuals.

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# MISSIONARY TABLE.

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w. wilkinson	Drummondville	ondville	May 1, 1851 Aug. 1, 1850	222	288	1-	16	84	98	300	300 Need a larger and better meeting house.
Robert BoydLondon	London	London	Oct. 1, 1850 Oct. 1, 1851 Nov. 1, 1850	222	1288	-  -	200	888	38	1050	Church greatly prospered. Church paying debt on meeting house. Church united. Need no further aid.
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и и	Baraboo	Baraboo and vicinity	Oct. 1, 1851	112	83	10	-	i	i	the field. Organized a church at one station. Re-	
Abner Lull	Sheboygan Ozaukee,	Falls Sherboygan Falls.	Sept. 1, 1850 Sept. 1, 1851 May 1, 1850	222	26 13 13		111	334	282	vival at another.  200 Congregation large. Pastor been sick. 250 Church growing in grace. 120 Congregation large, but people worldly	
0. J. Dearborn	Janesville, Rock co	Janesville	May 1, 1851 Oct. 1, 1850	22	39	-	-=	64	16	minded.  160 Purchased an eligible site for a M. H. 300 Finished a substantial meeting house, and	
J. L. Irvin David A. Peck	Scott, Shebo Dartford,	Scott and Newark Scott and Cascade	Oct. 1, 1851 Dec. 1, 1850 Dec. 1, 1851 Sept. 1, 1850	2222	26 13 26 26 26	∞ co 4	120	5488	25	are enjoying a revival.  400 1115 Revival at an Out-station. 100 Churches gaining strength. 200 Organized a church at an Out-station.	
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Perly Work	Sheboygan	Sheboygan Green Bay	Sept. 1, 1850 Sept. 1, 1851 June 1, 1851	222	26 39	010000	1111	1001	10 8 11 12 22 11	places. 200 Finished meeting house. Church united. 200 Interest in prayer meetings increasing. 175 Organized a ch. S. S. interesting and	
S. S. Whitman	Madison	Madison	July 1, 1851	HEROLLS.	30			20 20	(1 ×	200 Condition of the ch. improved. Pastor deceased.	
Thomas Reese		Raymond and vicinity	May 1, 1852 April 1, 1851 Nov. 1, 1851	1222	13		in i	17 1	1 1	Re-appointment.  40 Encouraging prospects at an Out-station.  Church lack harmony among themselves.	
W. J. Chapin	Aztalan, Jefferen co. Aztalan and vicinity Lowell, Dodge co Lowell and vicinity.		Oct. 1, 1851 July 1, 1851	22	30 80		12	110	11	100 A new and interesting field. Revival. 80 Meetings well attended, and prospects brightening.	

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Riram Burnett Mt. Pleasant, Solomon B. Johnson Muscatine William H. Turton Farmington.	Mt. Pleasant, Henry co Muscatine Farmineton, Van Bu-	Mt. Pleasant and vicinity. Muscatine	June 1, 1851 June 1, 1850 June 1, 1851 Oct. 1, 1850	2222	88888	1   8	0014	8481	11 8	200	Revival at an out-station.  Resiyal and prospects very encouraging.  Resigned.  Building a lecture room.
J. A. Nash	A. Nash Fort Des Moines				88	9	15	12.85	8	500	Labors hindred by sickness. Building of meeting house retarded by
George Scott Maq	Maquoketa, Jackson	Maquoketa	Dec. 1, 1851 Oct. 1, 1851	22	138	0	0	11			floods. Building a meeting house. Prospects en-
A. Russell Belden Iowa City	Iowa City	Iowa City	Dec: 1, 1851	12	13	1	1	100	8	250	couraging. Church united and exerting a good in-
G. W. Bond	G. W. Bond Knoxville, Marion co. B. B. Arnold	Marion and Monroe cos	Oct. 1, 1851 Oct. 1, 1851	22	26 26	401	r-00	11	11	11	fluence. A new field. Revival. An active church. Sunday school flour-
Edward O. Towne Bonaparte,	Bonaparte, Van Buren	Bonaparte and vicinity	Nov. 1, 1851	12	13	1	1	1	1	Ī	ishing, but no statistics reported. Improvement in condition of the church.
Isaac Leonard Burlington	Burlington	Rock Spring and vicinity Nov.	Nov. 1, 1851	12	13	H	6	20		i	Organized a church at one station-the fruit of a revival.
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John P. Parsons St. Paul.	St. Paul.	St. Paul	May 1, 1850	12	13	-	-	25	10	200	200 Appointment expired May 1, 1852. Died
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Julius S. Webber Still	Stillwater	Stillwater and vieinity	June 1, 1850 June 1, 1851	122	22 23	60	11	88	11	75 I	signed and left the field. Worldly mindiness prevalent. Purchased a lot for meeting house at
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# LIST OF LEGACIES,

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1834	Dea. Josiah Penfield, Savannah, Ga., per Rev. H. O. Wyer	1250	00
1835	Mrs. Clarissa Long, Shelburn, Mass., per M. Wilder, Esq., Ex'r	37	50
66	William Powers, Hebron, N. H., per Rev. I. Merriam	100	00
. 44	Miss Maria Curtis, Southbridge, Mass., per Rev. E. Going	200	00
"	Mrs. Jemima Elliott, Hampton, Ct., per Rev. J. Payne, Ex'r	100	00
1836	Mrs. Betsey Sprague, Attleboro', Mass., per Mr. A. Reed, Executor	451	25
**	Robert Rogers, Esq., Newport, R. I	25	00
**	Ebenezer Boyd, Providence, R. I	10	00
1839	Mrs. Abigail Marshall, New York, per Mr. Scofield, Executor	702	17
44	Mrs. Margaret Pugsley, Dutchess Co., N. Y., per Miss Cornelia Pugsley	280	00
"	Mrs. Irene Coats, New York, per Alfred Decker, Esq	250	00
1841	Mrs. Elizabeth G. Moore, Hartford, Ct., per J. B. Gilbert, Esq	200	00
	Nathaniel Tucker, Esq., Milton, Mass., per W. D. Ticknor, Esq	2005	00
	Mrs. Margaret Martin, Montgomery, N. Y., per Mr. J. J. Martin, Executor	100	00
"	Miss Cynthia M. Wright, Suffield, Ct., per H. Sheldon, Administrator	50	00
1844	Mr. Zephaniah Eddy, New Bedford, Mass., per Rev. H. Jackson, Executor	150	00
"	Mr. Josiah Kendall, Groton, Mass., in advance, per F. F. Wheelock and Rev.		
	Amasa Sanderson, Executors		00
**	Miss Jane McCall, Society Hill, S. C., per John McIver, Esq	20	00
**	Miss Lydia Sweetzer, South Reading, Mass., per H. Sweetzer	324	50
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44	Dea. Josiah Flint, Cornish, N. H., per Mr. A. Burnap	. 80	00
46	Thomas Cooper, Esq., Eatonton, Ga., per Hon. M. A. Cooper, Executor	2000	00
	Miss Betsey Hutchinson, Passumpsic, Vt., per L. P. Parks, Esq	. 50	00
- 66	Rev. Amos Dodge, Brighton, Macoupin Co., Ill., by his widow.	. 30	00
**	Mr. John Ward, Warren, N. Y., per J. Northrop, and A. Ward, Executors.	. 850	0 50
184	5 Joseph H. Hayden, Saybrook, Ct., per H. L. Champlin, Executor	_ 10	00 0
184	6 John Allen, Centreville, R. I., in part, per H. Hamilton and Rev. E. K. Fuller		131:
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•	Miss Mary Bliven, McDonough, N. Y., per Rev. John Peck	- 4	6 75
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18	Des. Darton Baney, Lebanon, Ct., per Executor.	10	00 00
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	miss Amanda Hadley, Brattleboro', N. H., per Rev. I Z. Postor	. 9	5 00
	James Shearer, Canada West, in part, per Rev. E. Savare.	. 1	1 00

1947	L. Crossman, Elbridge, N. Y., in advance	30 00
1848		25 90
1040	Hon. James Vanderpool, Newark, N. J., in part, per B. Vanderpool, Esq., Ex'r	900 00
	Miss Susan Farrar, Keene, N. H., per Rev. G. Robbins	10 00
	Mrs. Eunice Nicholls, Cambridge, Mass., per E. Mansfield, Executor	500 00
**	Mrs. Hannah Carleton, Portland, Me., per Rev. G. J. Carleton, Administrator	500 00
1849	Mr. Samuel R. Stelle, Piscataway, N. J., per Lewis R. Stelle, Esq., Executor	200 00
1040	Mrs. Phebe Gale, East Bennington, Vt., per Executor of estate of Solomon Har-	200 00
	mon	25 00
	Mr. William Reynolds, Boston, Mass., per J. H. Duncan, Esq., and Mrs. Susan D. Reynolds, Executors, in land not sold	
"	Josiah Lyman, Andover, Ct., per N. B. Lyman, Executor	50 00
4	John J. Martin, Montgomery, N. Y., M. Bookstaver, Executor	100 000
. 41	Mrs. Martha Howe, West Boylston, Mass., per Messrs. E. G. Howe & Co	50 00
u	A. H. Reed, Sweden, N. Y., per Rev. D. Searl.	13 00
"	Asa H. Trueman, Owego. N. Y., in part, E. Trueman, Executor.	148 00
1850	George D. James, Amenia, N. Y., J. K. Mead and N. Rose, Executors	100 00
44	John Everett, Manchester, Mich., in part, per F. Everett	60 00
u	Jacob Whitman, Belvidere, Ill., in part, per N. Crosby, Esq	100 00
	Jonas Taylor, Boston, Mass	12 50
- 26	Miss Rebecca Thompson, Amenia, N. Y., per A. B. Capwell	801 00
44	Joanna Minot, Boston, Mass., per E. Mears and I. Parker, Executors	100 00
**	Claudius F. Brown, Arkwight, N. Y., per David Barrell	150 00
	Miss Anna Roe, Egremont, Mass., per R. B. Brown, Executor	50 00
1851	David Schauber, Burnt Hills, N. Y., per J. & D. M. Schauber, Executors	10 00
- "	Woolcot Griffin, Gouverneur, N. Y., per O. L. Barnum, Executors	100 00
"	Joseph Flanders, Brooklyn, N. Y., per Mrs. Eliza A. Flanders and Benj. Flanders,	500 00
46	William Williams, New York, per John Allan, Executor	400 00
a	Eli Wiley, South Reading, Mass	50 00
1852	Miss Pharozene C. Kelly, Hopkinton, N. H., per John Page	50 00
"	Jonathan W. Ford, Boston, Mass	100 00

# IMPORTANT WHEN WILLS ARE MADE.

LEGACIES are sometimes diverted from the purposes of testators, on account of technical informalities, especially in the divising clause. The following form of bequest has been approved by high legal authority; to which we solicit the careful attention of those friends who kindly intend to place the Society among their legatees, as one which, if followed, will secure to us the favors intended.

# FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE SOCIETY.

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# DECENNIAL CENSUS FOR IOWA.

Showing the Counties in the State and their Population; the No. of Baptist Churches organized, their number of Members; and the number of Church edifices erected in each County up to the year 1840 and from 1840 to 1850.

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#### REMARKS.

The above Table was furnished by Rev. B. F. Brabrook, our Exploring Agent in Iowa, and is intended to follow out a plan originally suggested by Rev. T. S. Griffith of Wisconsin, whose Table for that State was published in our Annual Report of last year.

Mr. Brabrook supposes that slight inaccuracies may be found to exist in the Table, but if so they will be corrected hereafter.

From 1833 to 1836 Iowa was a part of Michigan, and contained but two counties—DuBuque on the north and Des Moines on the south; comprising a population jointly of about 9000. From 1836 to 1846 it existed as the Territory of Iowa. In 1846 it was admitted into the Union of States.

There are 26 other counties in the State recently settled, containing an aggregate population of 20,241 souls, concerning which Mr. B. was not able to furnish statistics adapted to this Table.

The amount expended by this Society in Iowa up to April, 1840, was \$200 00 From that period to April, 1850, the amount was \$10,978 31

# STATE CONVENTIONS AND GENERAL ASSOCIATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

With the Names and Post Office Address of the Corresponding Secretaries; the Time and Place of their Anniversaries for 1852; the number of Missionaries employed, and amount of Receipts into their Treasuries, for 1851, including Balances of the previous year.

STATES.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	PLACE OF ANNIVERSARY.	Time of Anniversary	No. of Missionaries	Receipts for Dom. Miss. in 1861.
Maine	A. H. Granger	Warren	Belfast	June 15	21	2918 55
New Hampshire.	E. Worth	Fisherville	Concord	Oct. 19	10	1704 45
Vermont.	L. Hayden	Saxton River	Cavendish	Oct. 6	9	1866 57
Massachusetts	W. H. Shailer	Brookline	Framingham	Oct. 27	39	4125 42
Rhode Island	R. A. Fyfe	Warren	Providence	June 8	14	2717 15
Connecticut	E. Cushman	Deep River	New Haven	June 8	12	1743 21
New York	H. Stanwood	Rush	Brooklyn	Oct. 13	54	8873 59
New Jersey	J. M. Carpenter	Jacobstown	Burlington	Nov. 15	23	2997 73
Pennsylvania	G. I. Miles	Philadelphia	Pottsville.	Oct. 21	35	5807 74
Maryland	Franklin Wilson	Baltimore	Baltimore	Nov. 3	9	1816 14
Virginia	H. K. Ellyson	Richmond				
North Carolina.	John H. Lacy	Milton	Smithfield	Oct. 14	13	2455 44
"South Carolina			68			
Georgia	P. H. Mell	Penfield	Columbus	April 25	2	1921 46
Alabama	J. H. De Vetie	Marion	Marion	Nov. 6		1233 63
Mississippi	W. J. Denson		Clinton	Nov. 11		1541 20
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	W. S. Perry				100	100
*Kentucky						
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†Illinois	M. Brayman	Springfield	Upper Alton	Oct. 16		
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Ohio	D. B. Cheney	Columbus	Cleveland	Oct. 23	34	4118 95
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\* No Reports received from these States.

<sup>†</sup> Collections in these States paid directly into our Treasury.

PROGRESSION TABLE,
Showing the population of the United States each ten years from 1790, together with the number of Baptist Churches, ministers and members in the United States.

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# REPORT OF COMMITTEES,

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# REPORT ON THE MISSION TO NEW MEXICO.

Presented through Rev. H. C. Fish, of New Jersey, Chairman.

Your Committee on our missionary operations in New Mexico, present the following Report:

To the American Baptist Home Mission Society belongs the honor of having introduced the first Protestant minister into this territory. Included under the designation of New Mexico, is a country containing 220,000 square miles; or a territory 28 times as large as the state of Massachusetts, and three times as large as the whole of New England. Its population is made up of Mexicans, Indians, &c., of more than 250,000 souls, for whose evangelization nothing had been attempted, until in April, 1849, under the auspices of this Society, Rev. H. W. Read commenced his labors at Santa Fe-Except at this station, which is now occupied by Rev. L. Smith, and that of Los Pinos, occupied by Rev. J. M. Shaw, there is not a single point in all that territory, where evangelical efforts of any kind are bestowed.

And yet what people more imperatively require our Christian sympathies and exertions. Their only religion is a mixture of Paganism and Romanism. They have no schools and no Sabbaths, and the civil and social obligations are almost wholly unknown or disregarded. In a word, they are virtually heathen. Nevertheless, are they our own fellow-citizens—active forces and responsible parts in this great Republic.

Once civilized and christianized, their conversion would become the salvation of their immediate neighbors, the inhabitants of Mexico proper; and another immense territory, overhung with a most delightful climate, and gemmed with the richest deposits of silver and gold, would add its contributions of wealth and influence to those mighty energies now urging on the redemption of a ruined race. In view of these considerations, your Committee most earnestly recommend increased attention to the mission here presented, and its largest possible re-inforcement.

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# REPORT ON THE GRANDE LIGNE MISSION.

Presented through A. D. Gillette, of Pennsylvania, Chairman.

To every candid observer of the ways and workings of a gracious Providence, in reference to his church, and the welfare of man, it must be evident that he works by human agencies. In these agencies it may be emphatically said

"God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform."

Canada was discovered and first settled by Frenchmen, who brought with them their own peculiar, social and religious institutions. These, like plants put into a new and genial soil, took deep root and rapidly flourished.

After a lapse of time, Britain conquered the country, but did not change the institutions of the French inhabitants. Their religion was Romanism, unmixed and entire, with not sufficient intelligence among the people to become in the least degree tainted with the spirit of inquiry, which has naturally generated infidelity wherever Romanism was tried by intellectual light, and the native skepticism of the human heart. This people went on prospering in ignorance, the dupes of a sensual priesthood and superstitious hierarchy, no one appearing to care for their souls.

For about two centuries, popery held uninterrupted, undisputed sway in Canada, and if anywhere on this continent it has had a fair field on which to display its nature and effects, we think it has been in Canada East. Do we ask what it has done for the people and country? We are supplied with an answer, in the almost unbroken solitude of mind, which wrapped in ignorance, superstition and indifference, riots in stagnant apathy—unrelieved poverty—the absence of all modern improvements, either in morals, education, agriculture, mechanic arts, or any thing whereby mind and manhood is being lifted above the mere supply of nature's commonest promptings and necessities.

The only people that dwelt near them spoke a different language, and being their conquerors, were looked upon with prejudice, and were deservedly disregarded, for they evinced very little disposition to alleviate their condition, either by education or religious instrumentalities.

In Canada East we see what Popery, let alone by Christians, will do for its deluded votaries. It so deadens their moral sensibilities, and so benumbs useful enterprises, that in the words of the almost inspired Watts, it may with truth equal to its poetry be said,

" Like brutes they live, Like brutes they die."

In 1830, a revival of religion in Switzerland kindled a desire in the heart of the Rev. Mr. Oliver and his companions, to teach and to preach the gospel to their French brethren in Canada. They came.

Death in Louisiana, soon after this, laid a young French husband and his only child low in death, leaving an educated widow childless, in the city of Geneva.

Madame Feller felt moved by the Holy Spirit to follow her beloved pastor among the French people in Canada, whose language was her language. Rev. Mr. Roussey, a well educated and devoted young Frenchman, came also, and soon became a teacher and missionary, self-sustained in Grande Ligne. Madame Feller came also, and in the garret of a small house, divided into two apartments, they began a children's school by day, and an adult school by night, teaching the things of religion in her class, and in visits from house to house. The word preached by these devoted servants of God took effect. The conversion of many souls roused to anger the priesthood. Some, however, became obedient to the faith. The work went on. Persecution only quickened the zeal of the Christians.

Property was collected, mission premises raised, a large edifice, containing a school room, a boarding house, domicils for missionaries, and conveniences for a literary and classical institution sprung up. God gave prosperity; new stations were opened and occupied, and in several surrounding stations churches were formed of recent converts to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

In the opinion of this Committee, the Grande Ligne Mission commends itself preëminently to the confidence, prayers, and enlarged contributions of all who love our Lord Jesus Christ and the souls of men.

# REPORT ON FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Presented through J. M. Hoyt, Esq., of Ohio, Chairman.

THE Committee appointed to consider the Financial Affairs of the American Baptist Home Mission Society submit the following Report:

The aggregate of cash receipts from all sources, for the year ending March 31st, 1852, your committee finds to have been \$39,885.36. This amount, compared with the same aggregate, for the year preceding, exhibits the gratifying increase in favor of the year just closed, of \$7,765.47. This increase, regarded in itself as a positive addition to the resources of the society, is ground of encouragement, and merits grateful recognition, as indicating the good Providence of Him who alone can effectively direct the great enterprises which aim at the evangelization of our race.

But regarded in another aspect, the ratio of increase in receipts, as contrasted with the ratio of increase of destitution in the rapidly extending field of the society's operations, is less cheering. Nay, it may be, that while felicitating ourselves upon our apparently advancing movement, we are

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really retrograding,-falling further and further behind an adequate supply of the means of grace to the wave of population rolling westward, each year with increasing welcome and accelerated flow, until its movement has become of solemn import, not only to the christian but to the citizen. It is a high tide of immortal beings, grand and mighty as the tide of the ocean. To that, though irrepressible when rising, God has ordained an ebb; but to this living tide there is no ebb unless one shall arise in some distant cycle hereafter to issue from eternity. In a secular aspect, we are witnessing a literal fulfilment of the prediction, that "a nation shall be born in a day," The fields well nigh boundless, whose bosom enriched with the elements of sustenance for uncounted multitudes, and whose bowels are stored with coal and minerals, adequate for a world's demands, are already appropriated by preëmption. The old world, by a gigantic advance, is reappearing in the new, and the Christian citizen beholding to-day, impressed upon communities born since yesterday, the dark outlines of that spiritual destitution which characterizes the lands where vital godliness is well nigh unknown, is driven in the consciousness of utter impotency, to supplication of aid from God, who alone is mighty to help. He who reserved this goodly land, "flowing with milk and honey," as a land of promise to which the victims of civil and ecclesiastical bondage might come, and have offered to them the gift of freedom; if they will but receive it, will open their hearts to receive it, if the people of God are of "one heart and one soul," in their prayers and efforts to make this land indeed The bible is the rock of our confidence—Christ our leader Emanuel's. in this modern and mighty exodus from bondage. We have an omnipresent Sinai, in the life-creative power of the Holy Spirit. History, profane as well as sacred, abounds in aliment, to feed the fires of faith; and if we will but take our gold, and diffusing it everywhere, give wings to the everlasting gospel through all our borders; the dawn of that prophetic day will soon approach when "the earth shall become the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." But if heedless of the manna of the gospel, and ungrateful for the wealth of blessings bestowed upon us as a nation, we hoard and idolize our gold; we shall be driven out, and perish, to make room for some chosen people, better fitted to evangelize the world.

Your committee has been led to consider money as an essential instrumortality in furtherance of the Redeemer's kingdom. Sometimes, perhaps, the Christian may recoil, from the unceasing cry for money, heard at all our anniversaries, from every organization, and from every pulpit, and be led to inquire, why is it that the cause of Christ, the spiritual interests of His kingdom, whose seat is the soul, cannot be advanced without money, money? But this suggestion is a shallow one, it is born of a superficial view of the grand workings of Divine Providence. There is in this stage of our existence, an union indissoluble, though mysterious, between the spiritual and the material. The soul lives here in a material tenement. That

tenement, under the laws of God, requires material supplies, or it perishes, and the soul departs to another sphere and is lost to human intercourse.

Again,-Thoughts are generated, the soul is moved, intelligence is communicated, and knowledge is diffused through the senses, by the intervention of matter. Even the Bible, the revealing to man of the Divine Soul, the fountain of all light, is under the present divine economy compelled to have a material body. The paper and ink, and visible characters which symbolize its spiritual truths, abide within the lids of a material volume, -and from these material conditions, incident to spiritual exercise, there is no escape. Those who preach the gospel have bodies which must be sustained. and all the material paraphernalia requisite to the spread of God's word, the diffusion of religious intelligence, the erection of houses of worship, and the thousand other forms of material expenditure, directly conducive to the spread of the gospel, require large and incessant outlays of matter, in forms to which human labor has given value, and which cannot be commanded without money, the representative of value. Hence, it is for no sordid purpose, that the attention of the church, in putting forth her strength in her great endeavors, is so largely engrossed in providing money. It is simply compliance with one of the inexorable conditions of the exercise of her power.

But in another aspect, this feature (as is every development of the Divine purposes,) is instinct with wisdom. The preaching of the gospel, the evangelization of the world, is to be the work of man. His agency is made vital. But all cannot preach; all cannot go to to the destitute; all cannot embark directly, and to the exclusion of other pursuits, in religious enterprises. But by the very necessity for a material element, in the cause of Christ, the way is opened, for all, all, no one being left out, to have a vital part and lot in this matter, by contributing of the avails of their labor; they may preach, for while another preaches, they sustain him. They provide for the publication and diffusion of the word of God, and keep in motion all the hallowed machinery through which light is diffused and salvation proclaimed, in this world, alieniated from God. Thus, every cordial, systematic, self-denying giver, is, in effect, a minister, a missionary, a bible to the destitute; and thus by one of those wise and beautiful reciprocities, which the more we study them are found ever the more to abound in the divine workings; constituting the glorious harmony of Providence; he that watereth is refreshed, and he who feedeth others, nourisheth his own soul.

In conclusion, your Committee is deeply impressed, in view of the field of operations of this Society, of its hallowed and lofty aim, to open in their fullness throughout the length and breadth of this Canaan of the gospel, the rills and streams which are to fill the river of life, whose flow is for the healing of the nations, with the solemn duty resting upon each Christian, wherever stationed in our high place of privilege, to contribute prayerfully, regularly, and increasingly, as the Lord gives ability, of his efforts and money, to the advance of this work, ordained, as we believe, of God.

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# REPORT ON MISSIONS IN THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY.

Presented through Rev. H. G. Weston, of Illinois, Chairman.

Your Committee, to whom was referred that part of the Report which embraces missionary operations in the Valley of the Mississippi, would present the following Report:

The record of the Society's labors in that part of the field, furnishes great occasion for gratitude to God. In the seven States and Territories, comprising the Northern part of the Mississippi Valley, 1049 persons have been baptized by the missionaries of the Society, during the past year. But it would be doing injustice to the Society not to remember, that from the very nature of the case, the results of its labors cannot be embodied in the statistics of its Annual Reports. The churches aided are all small and in their infancy, and the accessions to them comparatively inconsiderable. As soon as they receive large additions, or are in a situation so to do, they become, of course, independent of the Society, and the aid which was granted to them is bestowed upon some other church just struggling for existence. Hence the pages of the Annual Reports present a very imperfect view of the good really accomplished by the Society. The great majority of self. sustaining churches in our towns all through the North West, were nurtured by the Home Mission Society, and as every breeze brings the tidings of revivals and accessions, and baptisms, to an extent never before enjoyed there, the Society may well feel that thus, even more than in the number of baptisms reported by its missionaries, does God set the seal of His approbation to their efforts.

For nothing but the blessing of God has brought about these results. They have not been secured by the concentrated power of an all pervading organization. The aid of wealth and fashion, and popularity, has never been enjoyed. The blessing of God upon the truth presented has been the only source of success. And in thus bestowing His blessings, God lays upon us great obligations to trust him and go forward with renewed diligence to the work.

We do not expect that the Home Mission Society will do every thing that is to be done in the West. Sections of country lying near together are marked by different habits, tastes and wants. Very much good has been accomplished by a class of ministers who have been raised up to do a much needed work—men of strong sense, ardent piety, who have gone to the warfare very much at their own charges. Well adapted to the situation in which they have been placed, they have done, are doing, and will do a most important work, which, but for them, would never have been accomplished. All praise to them. But the wants of our rapidly growing towns, the number of which is rapidly increasing, cannot be met in this way. Here, ministers must be sustained by aid from abroad. With this aid, churches, self-sustaining, will soon be raised up—without that aid there is no such pros-

pect. Never was there a time when demands were more rapidly multiplied, never a time when exertion promised to be crowned with more immediate success. Delays here involve greatly increased labor, and greatly increased expense; one year now is worth to us five at some future time.

There is one class of our population to which we would direct the special attention of the Society. We allude to the foreign element among us, a class of our population whose numbers are increasing with a rapidity unexampled in the annals of the world. What will be the influence of this immigration upon us, and what we can do for them, are questions which present themselves with daily augmenting force, not to the alarmist, but to every sober and reflecting patriot and Christian. We cannot evade our responsibility with regard to these persons. God has placed them among us in such a manner, that we are shut up to the work. We cannot avoid expressing our conviction, that as Baptists we have not been at all awake to our duties and responsibilities in this matter. The number of missionaries in the Mississippi Valley speaking a foreign tongue, ought to be greatly increased. Without great guilt and great loss, we cannot refuse when the voice of God is calling upon us to enter into this work.

# REPORT ON MISSIONS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Presented through Rev. J. Stevens, of Ohio, Chairman.

The Committee on Missions on the Pacific Coast, beg leave respectfully to report:

The Committee deem these missions eminently important.

- 1. Because they are among those who will soon become a numerous people. The vast agricultural and mineral resources of these regions, and their position, giving scope to the most stirring activity and the most daring enterprise, cannot fail soon to attract hither a very numerous population.
- 2. They will be an enterprising people:—enterprising in the outset, for none but the daring and the energetic will go, and they will be placed in circumstances eminently favorable to nourishing a spirit of enterprise. They will never rest until they have brought the full influence of all the known agencies of mechanism and science to aid the hand of labor in developing the resources of their new home. The vast Pacific, with its numerous and populous islands, and China, and the surrounding countries lying beyond, will stimulate an active, varied and rich ocean commerce. The iron track will ere long bind together and unite the Atlantic and Pacific borders. The Pacific coast will thus find itself placed on the great highway of nations: and an internal commerce, such as the world has never seen, cannot

fail to be the result. And as surely as the water shall continue to descend, and the needle to point to the pole, so we may confidently predict that a portion, at least, of the enterprise of this stirring age of the world, will select the Pacific coast as the theatre of its activity.

3. They are a new people. And now is the time to throw in the grand vitalizing element of the gospel, in its purity, and in forms, and on a scale adequate to give it power-permanent, growing, expanding power. The history of the nations first evangelized, in the heart of the world, then verging to decline, their subsequent decay, both caused by and causing the corruption of Christianity: - the great fact that the nations subsequently evangelized, then remote and new, are the nations where now Christianity reigns in its greatest purity and power, and especially, the more specific fact, that the mind of New England, early and largely imbued as it was with evangelical influence, is at this moment doing more for the mental and moral regeneration of the world than was ever done by any people of equal age and number, and resources, -all these and such as these lessons of history, combine their force to impress upon us the unspeakable importance of liberally sustaining the missions under consideration. Let us at once baptize the Pacific coast in her early youth, in her infancy if you please, in the great laver of evangelical truth, and array her in the shining robes of evangelical institutions.

4. They are our own people. This consideration appeals not, indeed, to the highest principles. That appeal is found in the Great Commission—Teach all nations—preach the gospel to every creature—be witnesses to the ends of the earth. It lifts us above all the considerations of earth and time; it fixes our gaze on the cross, on the throne, on eternity, on the immortal destinies of the soul. These highest principles would we grasp, to them would we cling. But while we endeavor to imbibe and to act out the spirit of the Great Commission in giving the gospel to the heathen nations, which with the help of its Author, we are doing and intend to do on an ever increasing and expanding scale, let us beware of exposing ourselves to the sentence of the apostle—he that provideth not for his own is worse than an infidel.

So much in reference to the importance of these missions. We cannot pursue the topic further. A word or two touching their character, and the proper mode of conducting them. On this topic, however, the Committee feel incompetent to speak. They can only venture to suggest a crude thought or two.

The formation of the best plan of conducting these missions, it seems to your committee, must be the fruit of much experience, of much study, and of much wisdom. There is needed here, as in the conduct of other missions, all the light that can be derived from the inspired record of evangelization, studied thoroughly by itself, and then studied and reviewed and re-reviewed in connection with the history of the propagation and spread of Christianity

from the closing up of that record till now; and especially is there needed here all the instruction of that inspired record as interpreted in view of the clearest light thrown upon it by the experience of modern missions. The great Head of the Church—the Captain of our Salvation, for the first half of this nineteenth century, has been training his people anew for the great conquest; and in this middle of the 19th century, he has opened before us and brought upon us the ends of the world. For what purpose? For what other purpose can it be, than that we should bring the full measure of our experience as well as our faith and resources, to bear upon the vast achievement of subduing the world to himself?

But we must leave this matter of maturing the best plan to the Executive Board, and pass to notice one or two characteristic features of these missions.

- 1. As to the kinds of work to be done. It is not the comparatively simple work of aiding feeble churches to find and sustain pastors. It is no less than the planting and rearing the entire circle of Christian institutions. And men must be sent into this field who know how to plant and to build:—men who can lay securely the foundations, and rear the superstructure with durable materials and in just proportions.
- 2. As to the various races of men there coming together. Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? The men of China are there, 10,000 of them and more, already; the inhabitants of the Isles are there—the heathen are there; they are coming, they will continue to come. Shall we sustain a mission for the Chinese at Bangkok, and why not a mission for the Chinese in California? We pass to an inquiry which may arise in some minds.

Why, says the inquirer, cross our continent to find missionary work to do, while we have vastly more than we can do nearer at hand? I answer, it is suggested—begin at Jerusalem is the divinely instituted plan.

Your Committee believe that a clear vision of the true theory of missions would at once annihilate—not the plan, nor the inspired description of it,—but the sheer sophistry of the interpretation which we sometimes hear. Said the eloquent Staughton, in one of his early Foreign Mission Reports, the sun in sending its light and heat to the most distant objects, falls with not less power on those which are nearer. The providential planting of our mission in Burmah is the era whence dates, if not the beginning, yet the more vigorous growth of our Domestic and Home Missions. Indeed, to the direct operations of our Foreign Mission Board is this Society indebted for its being. No, no, let us not fear going too far away, when God calls. And sure we are, it is his voice that calls us to scatter the seed of evangelical truth on the Pacific coast. Let us obey the call.

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# REPORT ON THE PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

Presented through Rev. S. D. Phelps, of Connecticut, Chairman.

The publications of the Society are the Annual Report and the Home Mission Record. The first is issued soon after the Annual Meeting, and contains an account of the business transactions of the Society, and a general survey of its missionary operations, including the Treasurer's Report, and that of the Executive Board, also a list of its Officers and Managers, its Missionaries and their stations, and of its Life Directors and Members, with many other matters of interest connected with the Society. Four thousand copies of the last Report were published and distributed. These annual pamphlets are documents of indispensable value, furnishing information of the Society's aims and operations, and preserving in a permanent form its history and progress.

The "Home Mission Record" is a monthly publication in newspaper form, filled with communicated and editorial articles on the claims and objects of the Society, letters from missionaries, relating to the results of their labors, historical and descriptive sketches of the wider portions of our national domain, and also a monthly list of contributions to the Society's Treasury. The matter occupying the successive numbers of this little sheet is all interesting, and much of it most deeply so; and every individual, we believe, who is accustomed to read its columns, has thereby been more earnestly enlisted in the cause of Home Missions; and such, doubtless, has been the effect in every church among whose members it has circulated. Upwards of sixteen thousand copies of the Record, now in the third year of its existence, are issued, circulating to a greater or less extent, in nearly all the states and territories of the Union. But when we consider the aggregate membership in the churches sympathizing with this Society in its great and glorious work, it is evident that the subscription list of the Home Mission Record is far too limited. The low price at which it is furnished, and the facilities for conveying it to distant localities, and its intrinsic value as a medium of light and instruction, ought to give it a greatly increased circulation. It is a very efficient agent of the Society, going twelve times a year to the family and the fireside, teaching the old and the young, the claims and results of our Home Missions; correct information generally diffused, concerning the noble and important work of this Society, is what is most needed to call forth the means necessary for its immensely augmented usefulness. The Christian imbued with the Spirit of his Master, has only to know his duty, and he will perform it. Like the little streams that track and fertilize the plains and valleys remote from great rivers and oceans, and by which even the latter are supplied, these winged messengers of knowledge, flying to distant districts and hamlets, with the cry of help for the destitute, and the summons to duty, awaken a response which sends its thousands of tributaries to swell the mighty tides of benevolent effort.

In conclusion, therefore, we recommend that the Executive Board distri-

bute liberally the forthcoming Annual Report, and that the pastors of all our churches—for they must do the work or it will not be done at all—take immediate and efficient measures for the general circulation of the Home Mission Record.

# REPORT ON THE LABORS AND RESULTS OF THE SOCIETY.

Presented through Rev. J. N. Tolman, of Illinois, Chairman.

Your Committee, to whom was committed the subject of the Labors and Results of the Society, would submit the following Report:

To form a clear and correct estimate of the results of our labors, we must bring before our minds, and carefully compare distant periods of time, and the efforts used, together with the degree of success attending those efforts at the different periods. For such a review of the past labors of this Society, the good effected through its instrumentality, and for forming a just estimate of its importance and efficiency in the cause of Christ, the present is a most fitting period. This work, however, has been most fully and faithfully done, and presented before us in the interesting and able report of the Executive Board. Your Committee would, therefore, earnestly call the attention of the friends of the Society to the general summary of its operations, and the facts so ably set forth in the document, as affording ample encouragement to untiring and increased labors in this promising field.

Twenty years ago this Society commenced its operations with but few missionaries, and many discouragements, and confined its operations mostly to two States of our Union. A few others were scattered over other portions of the country, a single missionary, in some cases, occupying an entire State. The most sanguine expectations of the Executive Committee, then scarcely furnished them the hope that they should ever be able successfully to establish missions in the Mississippi Valley.

From that time to the present, the labors of the Society have been carried forward with gratifying success at each step of their progress, and it now appears from the results reported to us at this meeting, that the total number of missionaries employed to labor in the service of the Society, has been 1,633, laboring in 26 States and Territories, and Provinces of North America. They have jointly performed an amount of labor equal to 1,428 years, baptized into the fellowship of the gospel, 20,467 persons, organized 785 churches, ordained to the sacred work of the gospel ministry, 406 men, and aided in building 144 houses of worship.

Nor is this all of the good resulting to the church and the world from these labors. The spirit of general benevolence and sympathy for missions in all lands, and to every people, is a marked and peculiar characteristic of those churches which have been reared up and fostered by this Society. This fact is evident from the frequency and amount of their contributions to the various objects of benevolence, from the general observance among them of the Monthly Concert of Prayor for missions, and the deep interest they manifest in every good and holy work.

If, then, we view this Society, its labors, and the glorious results of those labors, as related to all our denominational interests, both at home and abroad, we cannot avoid the deep and thrilling conviction, that there is scarcely a more important and effective organization for the world's evangelization, than is the American Baptist Home Mission Society; intimately connected, as it is, with the temporal and the spiritual prosperity of our own country, and scarcely less identified, though more remotely connected, with the conversion of the whole world.

# REPORT ON MISSIONS BORDERING ON LAKE SUPERIOR.

Presented through Rev. S. Chase, of Michigan, Chairman.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution relative to the establishment of missions in the country bordering upon Lake Superior respectfully report:

That the territory embraced in the resolution is bounded by Lake Michigan, the straits of Mackinaw, and Lake Huron, on the South; the St. Mary's river on the East, Lake Superior on the North, and Wisconsin and Minnesota on the West—comprising what is usually denominated the mineral country of Lake Superior; embracing the richest mines of copper and iron in the known world.

Population and capital are flowing into this region with a rapidity almost unexampled. The sources of wealth are inexhaustible. Capitalists from the East and South are making permanent investments for mining and manufacturing purposes, and these shores, so long desolate, are already dotted with rising towns and villages.

The population may be safely estimated at 10,000, which will soon be doubled. Among these thousands are scattered members of our churches, who are as sheep without a shepherd, there being no minister of our denomination in the territory contemplated in the resolution.

The points rising at present into importance are Carp River, Copper Harbor, Eagle Harbor and Ontonagon.

These are the outlets of the various mining companies, and doubtless will, in a short time, swell into important manufacturing towns.

Your Committee would recommend the immediate appointment of an itinerant missionary to labor in this interesting field.

# REPORT ON OBITUARY NOTICES.

Presented by Rev. S. S. Cutting, of Mass.

THE Committee to whom was referred that part of the Annual Report which relates to Life Directors and Life Members deceased during the last year, beg leave to report:

That they find in this list of those who have been summoned to their rest and reward, the names of four Directors and thirteen Members: Directors.—Rev. Daniel Dodge, Pa.; Rev. W. H. Merritt, N. C.; Rev. O. J. Sherman, Ill.; and Mrs. Mary I. Hatt, of New Jersey. Members.—Mrs. Julia Ann Humphrey, Mrs. Sarah A. Stone, Mrs. Jane E. Lathrop, Mrs. Eliza Ann Remington, Rev. Alfred Bennett, Rev. Daniel Hall, of New York; Mrs. Jennett Tucker, and Mr. Amos Chase, of Massachusetts; Mrs. Betsey H. Gibbs, of New Hampshire; Miss Olive P. Rider, Connecticut; Mrs. Eliza G. Shuck, Shanghai, China; Rev. B. Farnsworth, D.D., Kentucky; and Rev. S. S. Whitman, of Wisconsin.

Of some of the brethren and sisters here named, your Committee have no particular knowledge. The record of their names on the lists of this Society, is of itself a pleasing indication of their interest in that gospel, which it is the purpose of this Society to communicate for the salvation of the perishing. A large number of these names are familiar; some of them familiar as household words. Two of the ministers named were among the earliest in our denomination to engage in the missionary enterprise, and were spared to see that enterprise advanced to its present extended development. Many a time have we enjoyed their counsels, and many a time been borne aloft by the fervor and faith of their prayers. Daniel Dodge and Alfred Bennett were no ordinary men. Both were men of strong minds and of deep piety. Both were deeply read in the Scriptures, and sound in doctrine. As soldiers of Christ, one, with ever wakeful eye, watched and guarded the garrison, while the other, with a warm heart and untiring zeal, went forth to make conquests for his Master in the territories of the adversary. Their differing gifts served well the cause of their common Lord, and both, we doubt not, have been welcomed by their one Lord, to the one rest for which they longed. Others of the ministers of Christ enumerated in the above list, were long known and respected as teachers, and one of them was a missionary of this Society at the time of his lamented decease. It is remarkable that of the nine females mentioned as deceased, six were wives of ministers. Seldom does a list so brief embrace so much of unusual worth and

loveliness. The afflictions which have fallen on families, have fallen likewise upon the cause of Christ. How blessed is it that those who sorrow, sorrow not without hope. The departed have only gone before to heaven, leaving as a precious inheritance, the memory of those graces and virtues by which they illustrated their faith in Christ, and in which they still speak for Him to those who survive them.

Your Committee would further remind the members of the Society, that in this list there is an example of that continued series, which, in a few years, will embrace all our names, and a voice, therefore, bidding us all do with our might what our hands find to do. We are associated to aid in spreading the blessings of the gospel over our country and our continent; and imperative and blessed as is this work, we may at any time be removed from participation in it. If we have a just sense of the work, and of our responsibilities, and especially if we are constrained by the love which has redeemed us, we shall account self denial a privilege, and neither seek nor accept rest till we find it in the presence of our Master.

# REPORT ON THE PROSPECTIVE OPERATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

Presented through Rev. G. W. Harris of Michigan, Chairman.

The Committee to whom was referred the prospective operations of the Home Mission Society, submit the following:—The object of the Home Mission Society, as defined by its Constitution, is "to promote the preaching of the gospel in North America." In strict conformity with this object, the Society has, for the last twenty years, been laboring to scatter abroad on the American soil the seed of divine truth—to promote vital godliness, the conversion of sinners, the establishment of Christian churches—and to lay, broad and permanent, foundations on which it might be safe to build the lofty and graceful superstructure.

In the prosecution of its legitimate work the missionaries of the Society have performed 1400 years of labor, have baptized 20,000 individuals, organized 800 churches, and ordained about 400 to the work of the gospel ministry. Such results help to make up the actual history of its operations thus far; but to take, accurately, the "guage and dimension" of its influence for good, in its social and religious bearings upon our country, and upon the Church of Christ, is not a work for human intellect. We may, however, see yet more of the good accomplished, directly or indirectly, in numerous houses of worship erected, in the establishment of Sabbath Schools, the promotion of temperance, in the light, peace and consolation which have been conveyed to the dwellers of ten thousand hamlets, once the abodes of darkness, discord, bigotry and superstition. In the far off

wilderness it has bidden the streams of salvation to gush forth, and many a once solitary place now rejoices not only in the buds and blossoms of hope, but in the ripened fruitage of gospel labor.

In considering the prospective labor of this Society, your Committee anticipate no change in the nature or character of its work. To the same great object, in the use of the same class of agencies, relying, as ever on Him who alone can give them efficiency and success, it still stands committed. We should, however, be blind to the extent and wants of the American field. did we fail to perceive that the agencies by which we seek to evangelize it, need to be almost indefinitely increased, and vastly strengthened. Especially is this necessary if we would see the work of moral reformation move onward in a ratio of acceleration at all proportionate to the increase of our population, or to the expanding limits of the field. Within a few years how has the field of the Society's operations become enlarged! It is now "no pent up Utica;" it is a mighty, an almost boundless continent. Its square miles are numbered by millions; and on its broad, teeming surface, is pouring, in an uninterrupted, yet ever widening stream, the surplus population of the old world. They come to us with their virtues and their vices; with their truth and their falsehood. A large proportion are the ignorant and the degraded, the vicious and the victims of pernicious errors—errors which have matured on the rank soil of European degeneracy, but which find also a congenial soil in the settlements of the new world. Here flourish all those forms of delusion and superstition by which men have been taught to believe a lie,-delusions which, whether prevailing in heathen or in christian lands, have no other effect than to enslave and ruin the souls of men. To counteract the influence of such errors—to preserve the social fabric—to sustain the body politic-to extend the reign of peace and love by Jesus Christ, we must exalt and faithfully employ, the one mighty instrumentality-"the glorious gospel of the blessed God;" for on all the devices of man, by which he has sought perfection and happiness in his individual or social state—whether by education, or government, or new social and new philosophical theories—on all these God has written, and human experience has written, "mene, mene tekel, upharsin."

The missionary labor, then, to be performed by the Society, as compared with that of former years, when the field was narrow and thinly populated, is greatly increased. This state of things forces upon the Society the necessity of selecting, and of affecting a lodgment of the seed of truth in the most important stations, now famishing for the bread of life. It calls for a large increase of faithful missionaries, who shall count not their own lives dear if happily they may be instrumental in promoting a work so dear to the heart of him who has redeemed them. It calls for fervent, united prayer to the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth the laborers. And it calls loudly, imperiously, and in language which can take no denial, for a large increase of means—for larger contributions of money. The

prospective wants and operations of the Society will render indispensable, for years to come, an annually increasing ratio of receipts and expenditures. A more inviting field, or more important, than that which the providence of God has opened before us, was never spread before the vision of any people. We are invited, and commanded, to enter in and gather fruit unto life eternal. We invoke the intelligence and liberality of the churches to aid the Society in its noble enterprize. We ask at the hands of American Christians that they give bountifully the coming year, to aid the Society in the prosecution of its appropriate work—"the promotion of the preaching of the gospel in North America."

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE CONVENTION.

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THOUGH the interests of religion in our own State claim the particular attention of this Convention, yet we deeply sympathize with other agencies and organizations engaged in the same common cause of extending and establishing the kingdom of the Redeemer in the earth. Among them all, none more imperatively demands our sympathy, our confidence, prayers, efforts and benefactions, than the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Who, with a heart warm with love to Christ, can for a moment reflect upon the work assigned this body without feeling the deepest interest in its prosperity and success? Think of the wide-spread field traversed by its missionaries, scattering the good seed of the kingdom over the vast territory of North America, preaching the Word in six different languages, throwing its extended arms of benevolence and pity around the teeming and wandering thousands, perishing for lack of knowledge, in Mexico, California, Oregon, Canada and the Great Valley, having them all in her great heart, pressing them canada and the Great Valley, having them all in her great heart, pressing them to her warm bosom, saying to them, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." What good thing is not this Society doing? and ought we not to lend it our most hearty coöperation? It is evidently a standard lifted up of God against the progress of the Man of Sin that is endeavoring to make himself strong in the land, seating himself in the temple of God as though he were God. Before its onward march infidelity hides its hideous head—ignorance and vice retire at its appearance—the tongue of the dumb is made to sing and the lame to leap as a hart—the wilderness blossoms as the rose streams break out in the desert, and the wilderness blossoms as the rose, streams break out in the desert, and the solitary place is made glad through its influence. It contributes to the highest interests of our nation—to the perpetuity of our free institutions of our civil aud religious liberties—to the spread of the glorious gospel over the wide world; as it has under its influence and instruction persons upon our own shores of almost every nation and language under heaven, who, when converted may return, as we hope some of them will, to preach the gospel to their own countrymen in their native tongue. In this light, the Home Mission Society may be regarded as one of the most powerful auxiliaries to foreign agencies, for spreading the gospel throughout the earth.

In view of the success that has hitherto attended its efforts—the new and extended fields of usefulness that are constantly opening before it—the constant and pressing demands that are made upon its almost exhausted treasury, we would earnestly recommend to all the friends of religion increased liberality in their contributions to its funds.

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#### VERMONT CONVENTION.

We regard the Home field as in every view increasingly important. What the healthy condition of the physical organization is to the aliment received, and to a sound and vigorous action of the whole being, that the culture of the Home field is to the rapid increase of our population, and our sound and healthy civil, moral and religious action upon the world. Our country is the grand moral centre—the great, renovating heart of the nations of the earth. In strong pulsations it is receiving in and throwing out the life-blood of the world. In illustration, glance at our Atlantic and Pacific affinities and tendencies.

Our Atlantic coast, and St. Lawrence and lake interior, have long been the vast entrance way to a swarming immigration. Recent accessions of territory on the Pacific, which have put into our hands that long hidden attraction of the nations, the California Maelstrom, have lengthened our Pacific coast to 1,550 miles. This is thrown open, with all our strong attractions of civil and religious institutions, our facilities for agriculture, commercial enterprise, education and happiness, to the vast Pacific world. "Great events having given us the ocean of one world on one side, and the ocean of another world on the other," enterprise has bridged these oceans with steamers, so that a trip from Europe or Asia to the States is but an excursion of a few days.

Again, the recent commotions of the European world, which filled with hopes so high the oppressed European heart; then its subsidence and the fresh efforts of oppression to place the iron heel of kings upon the people's neck—the people who had with strained eyes caught the joyous sight of civil and religious liberty—the crushed people, now again pouring forth upon the ear of the Most High, low, smothered groans for help—all this is but the mysterious working of God's might, and the temporary "hiding of his power," soon, we think, to burst again upon the nations with augmented energy. The time is well nigh come. This is the beginning of his work with his "new, sharp, threshing instrument, having teeth." The "stone, cut out without hands," is smiting the Babylonian image on the feet, and soon its heterogeneous material shall be driven away "like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors." These convulsions have broken up the packing of antiquated royalty, and loosened the cement of time-worn kingdoms, and kingly hands ever will find it difficult to make repairs where God makes earthquakes.

All these commotions and changes are conspiring together to render our country the great centre of attraction to the European and Asiatic worlds. The shinings of our national stars are seen by the bewildered and crushed nations. Our vast domain of 3,250,000 square miles, stands with its thousand-mile gates of sea coast wide open on the East and the West, God's chosen city of refuge for the flying people, and their floods are rolling in upon us, charged with this characteristic element of unconverted humanity, that it will overwhelm and destroy, unless it is met and modified with Bible influences.

Let American Christians stand by in idleness, and allow these vast waves of heterogeneous being to flow in upon our land from East and West, and nothing is more certain than that Catholicism and various infidelity will soon ingulf all that is dear to our hearts. Our national position without Christian effort, is like that of the prisoner in certain cells in the prisons of Venice, whose massive walls were so constructed that they slowly approached each other, till at length the unhappy victim was crushed between them.

The Baptist Home Mission Society has taken its stand between these

coming tides of life, not that it may drive them back—no, they will come, and let them; God sends them—but to cast the heavenly oil of grace and truth upon the agitated waters. Give it the means, and it will sow the entire country of 3,250,000 square miles so thick with pastors and colporteurs, and churches, and Sabbath Schools, and Bibles, and religious books and tracts, that both these thronging strangers and our own countrymen—not excepting our slave population, if it may be—shall find and feel their blessed influences throughout the land. This Society has already achieved much. Its last year's work is a good advance on that of 1850. \* \* \*

In view of the various and deeply responsible relations of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to our churches, our country and the world, your committee recommend the prayerful adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st—That, irrespective of its influence upon men in their relation to a future world, the American Baptist Home Mission Society has strong claims upon the sympathies, the efforts, and the pecuniary aid of every American citizen.

Resolved, 2d—That in view of its present and future relations to our country and the world, every American Baptist should contribute, liberally of his substance, his efforts, and his prayers, to the aid of this Society.

Resolved, 3d—That as representatives of the Baptist denomination in Vermont, we pledge ourselves to respond to the call of the American Baptist Home Mission Society for \$50,000, with our prayers, our efforts, and our purses.

#### RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION.

Resolved, That in view of the increasing extent of our country's territory, and the pressing claims of the destitute and perishing of our land, we earnestly recommend to the churches of this State, enlarged efforts and prayers in behalf of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

## CONNECTICUT CONVENTION.

The Missionary work in whatever geographical field it may be prosecuted, is essentially the same in all times. It has "one Lord, one faith, and one baptism," for all nations. In our own times, the enterprise of missions presents itself to American Christians under two aspects. On the one hand, God has raised up men at home to carry the Gospel to nations abroad; on the other, he has stirred up nations abroad, and sent their thronging multitudes into our missionary fields at home.

This latter great providential movement is giving a rapidly increasing importance to our Home Missionary field in each successive year. We are to remember that this field has undergone a wonderful change in the last five years. It has suddenly risen before us in a new, a broader, and a more varied aspect. The old land-marks have been swept away. The old solitudes of the western world now swarm with living multitudes of unevangelized human beings. Such a change in the field, demands a corresponding change in the amount and efficiency of Home Missionary effort. The measure of our responsibility in 1851, must not be estimated by that of 1845, in respect to this cause, whatever may be true of other departments of Christian enterprise. The demands of this enterprise rapidly increase in number and importance. Other demands, however great their importance are more nearly stationary.

As an example of the growth of our new States at the west, look at Wisconsin: In 1840, it contained about 30,000 inhabitants; in 1850, there were more than 300,000. Minnesota and Iowa, are receiving the same tide of immigration, besides other States of what is now becoming the great central valley of the Mississippi. Almost every civilized nation under Heaven, is there represented. But though civilized, multitudes are not evangelized. The great salvation through Jesus Christ, is a new truth when sounded in their ears. If more familiar with the name of Jesus, they are quite as ignorant of the spirit of his divine mission, as were the men of divers tongues, assembled around the apostles at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost.

There is the German, the Swiss, the Swedish, the French, the Irish, the Norwegian, and recently, the Hungarian element, mingling in the mighty mass. There, too, is Roman Catholicism, laying the broad and deep foundation of its fixed and mighty organization, amid centres of influence, keenly foreseen, and wisely selected—Infidelity, of every grade, planting its foundation, less visibly, but perhaps more deeply, not upon the misguided conscience, but upon the naked depravity of fallen human nature—distorted forms of Christianity of various names, all calculated to misrepresent the "truth as it is in Jesus." The intelligent christian, as he surveys this mass of superstition and depravity, is led to exclaim, "Surely this people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Passing from the great valley still westward, New Mexico, California, and Oregon, present themselves in all the grandeur of rising empires. In the first of these, is a nation of degraded Papists, suddenly incorporated with our own confederacy. That field has been providentially preccupied by our own denomination. One of our missionaries has been on the field two years, being the first Protestant preacher in that territory. Another of our missionaries is on his way there, if he has not already arrived. Not less than four more men are immediately wanted on this field. It is worthy of remark, that the denomination of all others most antagonistic to Papacy, has the pre-occupation of Protestant ground, among this population of Papists. In this respect this field resembles another of our Home Mission fields, Grand Ligne Mission in Canada, although the latter had not the original advantage of the New Mexican Mission.

It is unnecessary to attempt to describe the importance of the golden region of California, attracting as it does, the men of all climes and nations to its swarming shores. Three more men are needed in this field this year.

In Oregon, a Baptist College has been founded, and a President and Professor, are now on the way to take the charge of it. Here are five Baptist ministers, two more on the way thither, and three more are now needed. The importance of a pre-occupation of new missionary fields cannot be too highly estimated. The home missionary, who has labored in our new States and Territories, after other denominations have secured the leading influence of a forming state of society, can well appreciate the importance of an early occupation of a new field of labor. There are facts in the history of our home missions, that might be mentioned, showing the great importance of prompt and speedy action by Eastern Baptists, in behalf of the West, but these cannot be embodied in a Report necessarily hurried and brief.

In view of the present state of our Home Missionary field, therefore,

Resolved, That the increasing magnitude and importance of the Home Missionary field demand of us an increased share of interest in the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Resolved, That we appreciate the importance of immediate reinforce-

ments of the Home Missionary fields, especially in New Mexico, California and Oregon.

Resolved, That this enterprise demands our warm sympathies, energetic efforts, and our ardent prayers, in view of its direct influence in our own land, and indirectly throughout the world, in promoting the final triumph of our ascended Lord and Redeemer.

#### PENNSYLVANIA CONVENTION.

Resolved, That in view of the extent, and importance, and destitution of the western portion of our country, and in view of the adaptation of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to cultivate this vast field, this Convention cordially recommends that Society to the Baptists of this State, earnestly soliciting fervent prayer and liberal contributions in its behalf.

## MICHIGAN CONVENTION.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society, and the work which it is prosecuting, commends itself to the warmest sympathies of every American Baptist. That work is "to promote the preaching of the gospel in North America." And under God we regard it as a chosen instrumentality to carry "into the regions beyond" and plant, foster and mature there, the principles of a pure christianity, as connected with our own religious polity. It is to the missionaries of this noble society, as they move along on the tide-wave of immigration which is rolling toward and over the rocky barriers of the west, sweeping down the great pacific slope—we say it is to the missionaries of the society, with their coädjutors of kindred societies—that we are to look for those timely and liberal sowings of "the incorruptible seed," which will secure the preoccupancy of a virgin soil; and in the name of "God and Truth" take possession of a most interesting and important territory which Romanism and infidelity are rampant to enter and control.

"The battle of Gog and Magog," is to be fought in these "wilds of the west,"—the tocsin is sounding,—the line of battle is forming. It will extend from New Mexico to Oregon, and from "the river unto the ends of the earth."

And the prowess of the combatants, and the mighty issues of the conflict, are more than commensurate with the vastness of the field, on which these are to be tried and decided. These issues, like the issues of every battle, will reach far beyond the field and the din of the conflict, and be felt over every sea that is plowed by the keels of our world-embracing commerce, and along every coast where its anchors are cast. They will impress themselves upon the great ideas of the age, and mingle as formative elements in the civilization, which is recasting the institutions of the world, and opening a higher and a brighter future to the hopes and longings of mankind.

In the far reaching results of this struggle, the *present* efforts of the Home Missionary Society can hardly be over estimated. *Now* is the time for efficient and successful action. Every blow now struck will repeat itself; and every movement now made is *seminal* a hundred fold.

We owe it to ourselves, to posterity and to God, to give this society our liberal support.

We are at present enjoying the labors of ten of its missionaries, who are receiving during the current year \$1,250 from its treasury.

As a State we owe the Home Mission Society a heavy debt of gratitude for their timely and liberal aid; and we should endeavor as far and as fast

as possible to cancel our obligations, and beyond this, to aid in swelling the resources of this society to accomplish more fully and effectually its great work.

## ILLINOIS CONVENTION.

"Ir any provide not for his own, especially for those of his own house, he has denied the faith and is worse than an infidel." We regard the American Baptist Home Mission Society as the means raised up by God, by which we may provide gospel privileges for our own house—our own country. And we, shall prove ungrateful to the trust which patriotism and religion impose upon us, and show that we are ungrateful for our own mercies, as well as ungrateful to our foster friend, if we fail to sustain, by our sympathies, our prayers and our contributions, this noble institution.

#### WISCONSIN CONVENTION.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society occupies a position of vast importance. Its work comprehends the moral revolution and reformation of a continent. The relation of this Society to our Foreign Missions is of a deeply interesting character. Meeting the old world upon our own shores, it may, through our foreign population, act upon all lands.

As a Home Mission Society, its work is a magnificent one. When the great extent and rapid growth of our country is remembered, and also that upon this Society devolves a large share of the responsibility in supplying its destitution, we can but conclude that it is unequaled in importance. Your Committee is convinced that the main object of our zeal should be our own country, that our religious policy should embrace liberal things in its behalf. Hence, in view of the prominence that ought to be given to this work, and the hold this Society should have upon our affections, it is painful to know that the means at its command are insufficient to meet the daily increasing demands made upon it. The Society is now aiding to sustain 120 pastors. Including these, 140 ministers have been commissioned by it the last year, who report the baptism of 981 persons, the organization of 33 churches, and the erection of 15 houses of worship.

## IOWA CONVENTION.

# First Session. May 30th, 1851.

WHILE your Committee would give no undue prominence to any one system of Christian benevolence, they nevertheless notice among the instrumental results of the "American Baptist Home Mission Society" since 1833, as appears in the last Annual Report, that 1432 ministers have preached the gospel under its commission—they have jointly performed 1231 years labor, baptized 18,299 persons, organized 706 churches, and ordained 342 ministers.

A large proportion of their labors and results apply directly to the Mississippi Valley—to which a thousand considerations identify our strongest sympathies and warmest aspirations. It is our home—the probable home of our children—the point of accumulating, transcendent importance to the Christian world. The total amount of water discharged by the Mississippi per annum, in cubic feet, is calculated to be 8,092.118,940,000. But who can calculate the resources of the area it drains—300,000 square miles—the richest, noblest body of land upon the earth; and yet more: who shall presume to calculate the political, social and moral agency of its multiplying and ever augmenting millions upon millions, of all languages, and from all climes, upon the entire family of man.

Resolved, Therefore, That the "American Baptist Home Mission Society," in its Christian culture of the West, is virtually a Mission organization to the whole world.

Resolved, That its preëminent claims upon our prayers and contributions, are to be measured only by the ability God has graciously given us.

Resolved, That in humble reliance upon God for the ability, we will strenuously endeavor to raise among our churches the present year, at least, \$1,000—earnestly requesting, that so far as consistent, the "American Baptist Home Mission Society" increase the aggregate of its missionaries in the State, to thirty or more, at the earliest period, to meet in some measure the exigencies of central points, now imploring and demanding its immediate and benevolent aid.

Resolved, That the "Home Mission Record," its monthly organ, should have a much wider circulation in our churches.

## Second Session. Sept. 26th, 1851.

In the judgment of your Committee, at no former period have the operations of the American Baptist Home Mission Society assumed an importance of such transcendent magnitude, as at the present hour. Its field is transcribed only by the limits of North America, its missionaries are preaching the unsearchable ways of Christ at least in six different languages, and are prosecuting their arduous, delightful toil, in Canada, New Mexico, California, Oregon, and this vast Mississippi Valley, emphatically the moral Thermopylæ of the world, in which God has placed his church in close and living contact with all the diversified forms of infidelity and error, and where the victory, won or lost, marvelously decides the destiny of humanity for ages. Wherefore,

Resolved, That in the prevalent and pervading ascendancy of a pure Christianity in the west, we have an all-inspiring guarantee of the world's speedy conversion unto Christ.

Resolved further, That, as ministers and churches, we will, in humble reliance upon divine grace, more fervently pray, more zealously labor and more cheerfully offer ourselves and our all, a sacrifice to this blessed consummation.

Resolved also, That while we hail, with emotions of profound gaatitude, the recent appointment by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, of additional laborers in Iowa, and earnestly renew the important request of our late session, that said Society increase the aggregate of its missionaries in the State, to thirty or more, at the earliest possible period, to meet, in some measure, the exigencies of central points now imploring and demanding its immediate and benevolent aid—we will, nevertheless, regard all their beneficence but as an additional motive to enlist our entire energies to the earliest practicable independent culture of the several fields now receiving aid, and thus enable the Society to advance in its aggressive work of love and mercy in our new and ever-enlarging territory around and beyond.

## LAMOILLE ASSOCIATION, VT.

Never, perhaps, did our home field present to the eye of a Christian philanthropist, a more interesting aspect than at present. Our western country has become a focus in which centers the vision of an emigrating world. From almost every part of the world they have pitched their tents along the vallies of the western rivers, or on the golden sands of California.

God has so ordered it, that this influx occurs when there is abundant wealth in the church, and abundant facilities for communication. Yet, while the whole landscape is teeming with the promise of an abundant harvest, a few only are found to thrust in the sickle. For the want of means and men, the word of life is not sent forth. In view of these things,

Resolved, That among the several objects of christian benevolence presented at this Association, the American Baptist Home Mission Society holds a prominent place, and should receive our enlarged contributions.

## WASHINGTON UNION ASSOCIATION, N. Y.

Your committee would report, that the subject of Home Missions demands the prayerful attention of the Christian church.

The conversion of the world, is an enterprise of the greatest magnitude. Great in the means required—the object designed and the result which will follow. But how shall the constant necessities of the Foreign fields be supplied, without a vigorous prosecution of the Home work? The perpetuity of our institutions, the protection of our liberties, demand of us a vigorous prosecution of the Home work. To meet the demands made upon us, we must possess the spirit, and exhibit the practice of an advanced liberality. The feeble churches of our own state also demand our attention. When we consider that many churches are now liberal contributors to our benevolent societies, who but a few years since, were the recipients of denominational bounty, we feel that past benefits are producing encouraging results. In view of these things, your committee would invite the prayerful attention of the churches to the Home Mission work.

## SARATOGA ASSOCIATION, N. Y.

This Society, (the American Baptist Home Mission Society,) whose object is to cultivate the home field, is calling upon Christians in our Zion, to gird up their loins and strengthen their hands by prayer and apostolic benevolence, to meet the fearful responsibility now resting upon it. Under the labors of this Society, our great central valley where Mississippi rolls its vast tide, begins to bud and blossom as the rose. Churches in growing numbers are springing up under its fostering care throughout the vast extent of our western domain. The voice of her missionaries is heard upon the great prairies and beyond the Rocky Mountains. Along the shores of the Pacific, amid the regions of gold, of darkness, of selfishness and sin, men are warned to flee from the wrath to come.

Our missionaries entered Minnesota, Oregon, California and New Mexico, at an early day, and the influence of Baptist sentiments in moulding the religious character of the community, are clearly seen in each of these fields. We are earnestly entreated to enlarge our efforts, and increase the number of our missionaries there.

In view of these facts we most earnestly recommend to the churches of the Association, importunate prayer and increased contributions for this Society, that the time may soon come "when there shall be a handful of corn in the earth upon the tops of the mountains, the fruit whereof shall shake like Lebanon."

## DAVENPORT ASSOCIATION, IOWA.

Your Committee on Home Missions would beg leave to present the following as their Report:

That they regard this object as having claims above all others upon the Baptists of Iowa. The providence of God has given them a field in this state sufficiently ample for their intensest labors—their most earnest prayers, and their most liberal contributions. The population of this state is now estimated at near 300,000, scattered over an area of 300 miles in length, and at least an average of 150 in breadth. For this vast population and extended territory, there are not, at the largest calculation over forty Baptist ministers. The estimate leaves a parish of 7,500 souls, and over 30 miles square for each minister; even if all were devoted to their work—but many of this number, it must be remembered, seldom, if ever, perform the duties of their office. Several have turned aside from their office altogether: others on account of ill-health or poverty-but seldom labor in it-while not more than one-half at the extreme can be considered as devoting themselves exclusively to this work. For one particular of the extent of this field in its destitution and claims, we point to Clayton county, which with a population of over 6,000 souls, has not now, and never has had, a Baptist minister within its limits, and but one organized church, while over its broad surface are scattered many individual members, wandering like sheep without a shepherd. As another item connected with this subject, we also adduce the fact that among the nearly 40 Baptist churches in the state—with a membership in the aggregate of some 2,000 we have but a single church which sustains the regular, weekly ministrations of the word, independent of foreign help. Moreover, while this field is so wide in extent and imploring in destitution, it is not less inviting to labor, and promising for success. A rich and abundant harvest will as surely follow effort here, as in any part of the great field which is the world. Certainly then, in view of these facts, may we not say. the Baptists of Iowa have a first and greatest work to do in that of Home Missions-Therefore,

Resolved, That with more devoted hearts and hands we will engage in building up the cause of truth and salvation, in our own state.

Resolved, That as churches comprising this Association, we will strive the soonest possible to support the regular weekly ministry of the word among us, without missionary aid.

Resolved, That with gratitude to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, for its beneficence in past appropriations to this state, we pray for their immediate enlargement and extension to unoccupied fields.

Resolved, That we joyfully contribute what we can towards raising \$1,000 the present year for this society, as proposed at the June meeting of our State Convention.

Resolved, That we also pray more earnestly for this object, convicted of the Savior's declaration, "Without me ye can do nothing;" "Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more laborers into his harvest."

## WILLIAMETTE ASSOCIATION, OREGON.

The Committee on Home Missions reported the following resolution; which was adopted:

Resolved, That we regard with sentiments of gratitude the labors of the American Baptist Home Mission Society as designed to meet the increasing wants of our denomination in North America, and we earnestly solicit a continuance and enlargement of their munificence in Oregon; and that we especially request the Board of that Society to appoint a missionary to be stationed at Salem, who may labor in that and the surrounding churches.

Resolved, To ask the Board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society to appoint an exploring agent for Oregon.

This Association was formed in June, 1848. It then consisted of 4 churches, 5 ministers and 87 members. Its third anniversary was held in June, 1851, and as its minutes shew it then consisted of 9 churches, 4 ministers and 140 members. One of the ministers had removed beyond the bounds of the Association. Forty of the additions to the churches during the entire period of the existence of the Association were by baptism.

## EDWARDSVILLE ASSOCIATION, ILL.

Your Committee believe that the American Baptist Home Mission Society has claims upon the Christian sympathies of Baptists in the Mississippi valley, which are second to those of no other benevolent institution of our age.

"Preach the gospel to every creature"—"beginning at Jerusalem," at home, is the divinely appointed means and method of converting the world; and, though this society restricts its direct operations to North America, it is doing as much by this instrumentality, in this method, to accomplish this result, as any other single organization of which we have knowledge.

In view of these facts, your committee feel that they cannot too strongly urge the claims of this society upon the attention of the churches composing this body.

## TAUNTON ASSOCIATION, MASS.

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Trout, William, Charleston, S. C. True, Rueben, Plainfield, N. H. True, Osgood, do. True, Mrs. Betsey M., Plainfield, N. H. Truman, Stephen S., Owego, N. Y. Truman, Mrs. Betsey S., Owego, N. Y. Truman, Mrs. Eleanor M., Owego, N. Y, Truman, Edward D., Owego, N. Y. Tryon, Elijah, Westhaven, Vt. Tubbs, Benjamin H., W. Dedham, Mass. Tucker, Harwood B., Christianville, Va. Tucker, Richard G., Stony Creek, Va. Tucker, Rev. Silas, Napierville, Ill. Tucker, Mrs. F. G. Stony Creek, Va. Tucker, Mrs. Elisha, Chicago, Ill. Tucker, James N. G. Chicago, Ill. \*Tucker, Mrs. Levi, Boston. Tucker, Frederick D., Williamsburg, N. Y. Tucker, Daniel N., New York. Tucker, Elisha, Middleborough, Mass. Turley, Capt. E., Philadelphia. Turnbull, Rev. Robert, Hartford, Ct. Turner, Mrs. Grace, New London, Ct. Turner, Gabriel S., Newark, N. J. Turney, Rev. Edmund, Hamilton, N. Y. Turney, J. P., Norwalk, Ct. Turpin, Rev. John O., Aylett's, Va. Tustin, Rev. Josiah P., Savannah, Geo. Tustin, John D., Camden, N. J. Tuthill, Joseph, Brooklyn, N. Y. Tuttle, Aaron, Littleton, Mass. Tuxbury, Isaac, Salisbury Mills, Mass. Twiss, Rev. Daniel F., Spotswood, N. J. Tyler, Roswell R., Middlesex, N. Y. Tyler, Mrs. Lucy, Deep River, Ct. Ulyat, Rev. William C., Princeton, N. J. Ulyat, William, New York. Underhill, Rev. Charles H., Peekskill, N Y. Underhill, P. S., Brooklyn, N. Y. Underhill Mrs. Catharine M., Brooklyn, N. Y. Van Arsdale, Dr. Henry, New York. Van Deboe, Adam, Claverack, N. Y. \*Vanderpool, James, Newark, N. J. Van Der Werken, Mrs. Jenet, New York. Van Derlip, George M., New York. Van Derlip, Mrs. Grace, New York. Vanderveer, Mrs. Ann, Moorestown, N. J. Valentine, Rev. Andrew M., W. Henrietta, N. Y. Valentine, Elijah F., Cambridge, Mass. Van Horn, James, Newfane. N. Y Vanest, Abraham, Hightstown, N. J. \*Van Loon, Rev. Charles, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Van Nostrand, Miss Mary Ann, New York. \*Vaughn, Rev. Ashley, Natchez, Mi. Van Marter, John, Brooklyn, N. Y. Vann, Samuel A., New Haven, Ct. Van Sant, T. J., Williamsburgh, N. Y. Van Valkenburgh, John, Williamsburgh, N. Y. Vassar, Matthew, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Vernon, Samuel, Brooklyn, N. Y. Vernon, Thomas, do. Verstile, Mrs. Rebecca E., Savannah, Ga. Vinal, Wm. D., Lowell, Mass. Vinton, Rev. Justus H., Maulmain, Burmah. Vinton, Mrs. Calista H., do. Vrooman, Rev. Joseph B., Clyde, N. Y.

Wade, Rev. Jonathan, Tavoy, Asia. Wade, Mrs. Deborah B. L., Tavoy, Asia. Wade, Josiah, Gouveneer, N. Y. Waite, Miss Mercy, Brookfield, Mass. Wakefield, Charles A., Elizabethtown, N. Y. Walden, Rev. J. H., Portsmouth, Ohio. Walker, Rev. Joseph, Marcus Hook, Pa Walker, Mrs. Elizabeth, Marcus Hook, Pa. Walker, Miss Hannah, Marcus Hook, Pa. Walker, Rev. G. C. Somerset, N. Y. Walker, Mrs. Eliza H., Somerset, N. Y. Walker, Mrs. Jane P., Central Falls, R. I. Walker, Mrs. Mary, Brookneal, Va. Walker, John B., Madison, Ga. Walker, Andrew, New York. Walker, William A., do. Walker, Charles, Chicago, Ill. Walker, Rev. Wareham, Utica, N. Y. Walker, Rev. John, Barre, Mass. Walker, Rev. William C., Willington, Ct. Walker, Rev. Orrin, North Stonington, Ct. Wallace, Miss Eliza, Brooklyn, N. Y. Wallace, Jonathan, Fort Covington, N. Y. Walters, Jacob, Wilmington, Del. Walton, Joel, Va. Walton, Jesse, Augusta, Ga. Ward, Uzal D., New York. Ward, William, Worcester, Mass. Wardner, Rev. Chauncey, Covert, N. Y. Wardner, Mrs. Margaret A., Covert, N. Y. Ware, Dr. R. J., Montgomery co., Ala. Warn, Mrs. Sarah M., Sennett. N. Y. Warner, Dr. Ransom, New York. Warren, Mrs. Diantha O. W., Potsdam, N. Y. Warren, Rev. Patrick, Baltimore. Warren, Rev. Benjamin, Ransomville, N. Y. Warren, Rev. J. G., Troy, N. Y. Warren, Rev. Edwin R., New London, Ct. Warren, Benjamin I., Williamsburgh, N. Y. Warriner, Rev. Norman, Harding, Ill. \*Wasson, J. G., Albany. Washington, Mrs. Elizabeth, Newbern, N. C. Wasson, Mrs. Clarissa. Albany. Waters, Mrs. Elizabeth A., Brookline, Mass. Watts, Mrs. Emma, New York. Wattson, Mrs. Mary B., Philadelphia. Wattson, Miss Elizabeth, Philadelphia. Watson, Rev. W. H., Natick, Mass. Watson, George, New York. Watson, James, Brooklyn. N. Y. Watkinson, Wm. E. Philadelphia. Waterman, Nathan, Jr., Providence. Way, Rev. Samuel P., Poolville, N. Y. \*Wayland, Rev. Francis, Sr., Saratoga, N. Y. Wayland, Mrs. H. S. H., Providence. Wayland, Francis, Jr., Worcester, Mass. Weaver, Rev. C. S., Voluntown, Ct. Webb, Mrs. Maria, New Brunswick, N. J. Webb, Rev. Abner, Watertown, N. Y. Webb, Rev. W. R., Jordan, N. Y. Webb, Daniel, Le Roy, N. Y. Webb, Rev. J. N., Fort Covington, N. Y. Webster, Phineas, Haverhill, Mass Webster, Mrs. Phineas, Haverhill, Mass. Webster, Rev. Amos, Newton, U. Falls, Mass. Webster, Rev. S. B., Norwalk, Ohio.

Weeks, Miss Ann, New York. Welch, Mrs. B. T., Brooklyn, N. Y. Welch, Rev. James E., Hickory Grove, Mo. Weld, Mrs. Lucy, New York. Wells, Mrs. Elizabeth, New York. Wemple, Abraham A., Schenectady, N. Y. West, John, Brooklyn, N. Y. West, Mrs. Ann, Brooklyn, N. Y. West, John G., Williamsburg, N. Y. West, Willoughby W., York, N. Y. West, Rev. Hezekiah, Mecklenburg, N. Y. Weston, Rev. Henry G., Peoria, Ill. Weston, Mrs. Henry G., Peoria, Ill. Weston, Mrs. Hetty, Lynn, Mass. Westcott, Rev. Isaac. New York. Westervelt, John, Williamsburgh, N. Y. Wetherbee, Ephraim, Broadalbin, N. Y. Wethern, George M., Lowell, Mass. Wetteran, Mrs. Frances. New York. Wheat, Rev. A. C., New York. Wheat, Mrs. Priscilla P., New York. Wheaton, Reuben, Wilmington, Del. Wheelock, Mrs. E. M., Elbridge, N. Y. Wheeler, Mrs. Elizabeth H., Sacramento, Cal. Wheeler, Miss Melvina P., Sacramento, Cal. Wheeler, Rev. Benjamin, Plastow, N. H. Wheeler, Nelson, Worcester, Mass Wheeler, Lucius, New York. Wheeler, Rev. S. S., New Nork. Wheeler, Mrs. Mary B., New York. Whidden, Mrs. Sarah, Calais, Me. Whilden, Rev. B. W., Camden, S. C. Whipple, Henry, Malone, N. Y. White, Rev. Samuel, Port Richmond, N. Y. White, Mrs. E., Port Richmond, N. Y. White, Miss Martha D., Marcus Hook, Pa. White, Miss Lydia, Haverhill, Mass. White, Thomas, Brooklyn, N. Y. \*White, Thomas, Philadelphia. White, Samuel S., Whiteville, N. Y. White, Harvey, Mount Holly, Vt. White, Thomas P., Bridgeport, Ct. White, John, Winchenden, Mass. White, Beza L., Taunton, Mass. White, Ebenezer, Newton, Mass. White, Ebenezer B., Williamsburgh, N. Y. White, Mrs. Mary, New York. Whitehead, James M., New York. Whitehead, Mrs. Emeline V., New York. Whitehead, Artemas K., do. Whitehead, John W., do. Whitehead, Linus P., do. Whittemore, Joseph, do. \*Whitman, Rev. Seth S., Madison, Wis. Whitman, Charles S., Belvidere, Ill. Whitman, Hiram, Whitman, Alva, Mich. Whitman, John C., Jordan, N. Y. Whitney, Miss Harriet, New York. Whitney, Mrs. Betsey, Worcester, Mass. Whitney, Bennet, Bridgeport, Ct. Whittier, Leonard, Haverhill, Mass Whittier, Mrs. Leonard, Haverhill, Mass. Whittier, Miss Abby, Haverhill, Mass. Wight, Leonard B., Wales, Mass. Wightman, Rev. J. G., Groton, Ct.

Wilbur, Mrs. Sally, East Avon, N. Y. Wilbur, Curtis, Troy, N. Y. Wilcox, Rev. J. F., Springfield, Mass Wilcox, Mrs. Louisa S., Springfield, Mass. Wilcox, Abraham, Shelburne Falls, Mass. Wilder, John N., Albany. Wilder, Mrs. Delia A., Albany. Wilder, Rev. Sidney, Springfield, N. Y. \*Wildman, Rev. Daniel, Lebanon, Ct. Wildman, Mrs. Roxey S., Lebanon, Ct. Wilkins, Rev. Stephen, New York. Wilkins, Rev. Andrew, Tyrone, N. Y. Wilkinson, Rev. Wm., Drummondville, C. W. Willard, Rev. George A., Warwick, R. I. Willard, Lucius A., Providence. Willard, Mrs. Polly, Pawlet, Vt. Willard, Mrs. Nancy, Jonesborough, Ill. Willard, Rev. C. M., Harvard, Mass Willett, Miss Sarah, New York. Willett, Mrs. Charles, New London, Ct. \*Williams, Mrs. E., Society Hill, S. C. Williams, Mrs. Elizabeth S., Fayetteville, N. C. Williams, Mrs. Charity S., Fayetteville, N. C. Williams, Mrs. Mary M., Fayetteville, N. C. \*Williams, A., Elizabeth City, N. C. \*Williams, Rev. Daniel, New York. Williams, Rev. David S., Cumberland, N. C. Williams, Rev. William B., Williamsville, N. Y. Williams, Mrs. Eunice, Deep River, Ct. Williams, Rev. John, Marion, Iowa Willingham, Thomas, Lawtonville, S. C. Willington, Miss Catharine, Watertown, Mass. Willis, Rev. Samuel B., Maryland, N. Y. Wilson, Mrs. Catharine, New York. Wilson, Miss Sarah E., New York. Wilson, Mrs. Francis N., Catskill, N. Y. Wilson, Isaac D., Society Hill, S. C. Wilson, E. C., Elizabeth City, N. C. Wilson, Clement, Philadelphia. Wilson, Rev. Charles E., Bridgeton, N. J. Wilson, Rev. Adam, Hebron, Maine. Wilson, Rev. W. V., Keyport, N. J. Wilson, Mrs. Caroline T., Plainfield, N. J. Winans, Elnathan, Lima, N. Y. Winans, Mrs. Marcy, Lima, N. Y. Winans, Theodore, Plainfield, N. J. \*Winchell, Rev. Reuben, Lockport, N. Y. Winchell, Miss Ann, New York. Windust, Edward, New York. Wines, Rev. William H., Rahway, N. J. Winslow, Robert F., New York. Winslow, Rev. Octavius, Leamington, Eng. Winter, Rev. Thomas, Roxborough, Pa. Winter, Rev. John, Massillon, Ohio. Winterton, Mrs. Mary, New York. Wise, Miss Clarissa R., New Russia, N. Y. \*Wise, Miss Harriet W., New Russia, N. Y.

Wisner, Mrs. Sarah, Mount Morris, N. Y. Wisner, Mrs. Adaline, Elmira, N. Y. Wisham, Samuel, Moorestown, N. J. Witherwax, J. M., Davenport. Iowa. Withall, John, Henrietta, N. Y. Withington, Elijah, Williamsburg, N. Y. Withington, Mrs. M., Williamsburg, N. Y. Withington, Miss Lucy M., New York. Wolcott, Mrs. Mary S., New York. Wolcott, Epaphroditus, Rochester, N. Y. Wolcott, Mrs. Naomi, Rochester, N. Y. Wöllaston, Joshua, Wilmington, Del. \*Wood, John, Hertford, N. C. Wood, Mrs. J. S., Hertford, N. C. Wood, Mrs. Mary E., Hertford, N. C. Wood, Rev. N. N., Alton, Ill. Wood, Jennings J., Speedwell, S. C. Wood, George, Springfield, Ill. Woodbridge, William A., New York. Woodbury, William W., Suffield, Ct. Woodbury, Rev. John, Templeton, Mass. Woodruff, Mrs. Innocent, Albany. Woodruff, Rev. Seth, New Albany, Ia. Woodward, Rev. Jonas, Parma, N. Y. Woodward, Mrs. Eliza, Parma, N. Y. Woodward, Mrs. Mary D., Middlesex, Va. Woodward, Sylvester, Lowell, Mass. Wooster, Mrs. Aurelia R., Deep River, Ct. Worth, Rev. Edmund, Fisherville, N. H. Worthington, S., Springfield, Mass. Wright, Rev. David, North Colebrook, Ct. Wright, Mrs. Abigail, North Colebrook, Ct. Wright, William J., Hargrove's, Va. Wright, Theodore, New York. Wright, Asahel B., Lowell, Mass. Wright, Harvey, Three Rivers, Mass. Wright, Rev. Thomas G., Sandisfield, Mass. Wright, Rev. Ansel T., Dennisville. N. J. Wright, Rev. Lyman, Fayetteville, N. Y. Wright, R. A., Rochester, N. Y. Wyckoff, Rev. Cornelius P., Weedsport, N. Y. Wyckoff, Mrs. Elizabeth R., Weedsport, N. Y. Wyckoff, J. N., Brooklyn, N. Y. Wyckoff, Mrs. Elizabeth, Brooklyn, N. Y. Wyckoff, W. G., Middletown, N. J. Wyer, Rev. Henry O., Savannah, Ga Yancey, Algernon S , Yanceyville, N. C. Yendell, Sarah, Boston. Yeomans, Miss Mary Ann, Providence. Yeomans, Mrs. Olive, Providence. York, Mrs. Hannah, Haverhill, Mass. Young, Mrs. Sarah, Brooklyn, N. Y. Young, Rev. George, Princeton, N. J. Young, Rev. Robert F., Salem, N. J. Young, Mrs. Maria Ann, Salem, N. J. Young, Robert McCarthy, New York. Zimmermann, Edwin, New York.

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# STATISTICS OF THE UNITED STATES.

The following statistics are copied from the *Home Missionary* of April; they are compiled from the returns of the Seventh Census, as embodied in the Report of the Superintendent of the Census, Hon. J. C. G. Kennedy.

States, &c.	Area in Ad-		Population in	Ratio of	Pop. to a	Rep, in Cong-		Deaths,	
States, &c.	square miles.	mit'd.	1840.	1850.	increase.	sq. mile.	1840.	1850.	1 to every
Maine,	30,000	1820	501,793	583,188	16.22	19.44	7	6	77.29
New Hampshire.	9,280		284,574	317,964	11.63	34.26	4	3	74.49
Vermont,	10,212		291,948	314.120	7.59	30.76	4	3	100.13
*Massachusetts	7,800		737,699	994,499	34.81	127.49	10	11	51.23
*Rhode Island,	1,306		108,830	147.544	85.57	112.97	2	2	65.83
	4,674		309,978	370,791	19.61	79.33	4	4	64.13
*Connecticut,	46,000		2,428,921	3.097.394	27.52	67.33	34	33	69.85
*New York	8,320		373,306	489.555	31.14	58.84	5	5	75.70
New Jersey,	46,000		1.724,033	2.311.786	34.09	50.25	24	25	81.63
*Pennsylvania,	2,120		78,085	91,535	17.22	43.17	1	1	75.71
*Delaware,			469,232	583.035	24.04	62.31	6	6	60.77
*Maryland,		1788	1.239,797		14.66				
*Virginia,	61,352			1,421,661		23.17	15	13	74.61
*North Carolina,	45,000			868,903	15.32	19.30	9	8	85.12
*South Carolina,	24,500			668,507	12.46	27.28	7	5	83.59
*Georgia,	58,000			905,999	31.03	15.68	8	8	91.33
Alabama,	50,722			771,671	30.62	15.21	7	7	84.94
Mississippi,	47,156			606,555	61.46	12.86	4	5	69.63
Louisiana,	46,431			511,974	45.27	11.02		4	42.8
Texas,	237,321			212.592		.89		2	69.79
Florida,	59,268	3 1845		87,401	60.43	1.47	1	1	93.67
Kentucky,	37,680					26.07	10	10	64.60
Tennessee,	45,60	1796			20.91	21.98	11	10	85.34
Missouri,		0 182	383,702	682,043	77.75	10.12		7	55.81
Arkansas,		8 1836	97,574	209.639	114.85	4.01	1	2	70.18
Ohio,		4 180:	2 1,519,467	1.980,408	30:33	49.56	21	21	68.4
Indiana,		9 181	685,866	988,416	44.11	29.2	10	111	77.6
Illinois,		5 181	8 476,183	851,470	78.81	15.36	7	9	73.2
Michigan,	56,24	3 183	6 212,267	397,654	87.33	7.07	3	4	88.1
Iowa,	50.91	4 184	6 43,112	192,214	345.84	3.77	2	2	94.0
Wisconsin,		4 184	8 30,945			5.65	3	3	105.8
California,						W. Y. W.	19,00	2	10 170
Minnesota,						.03			202.5
Oregon,								1.0	282 8
New Mexico			E. S. S. Harrison, and St. Co.			.28		-	53.1
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The absolute increase of the population in ten years, including the amount acquired by additions of territory, has been 6,188,260; and the increase per cent, has been 36.25, viz:

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New England States, (6)	22.07 per cent.
Middle States, (3)	30.32 "
Southern Atlantic States, (7)	19.19 "
Southwestern States, (8)	47.86 "
Northwestern States, (6)	59 08 "
States East of the Alleghanies, (16)	23.86 "
States West of " (14, excluding California.)	
White population,	38.28 "
Free Colored	10.09 "
Slaves	00 50 44

If one-third of the population of Pennsylvania and Virginia be considered as belonging to the Great Western Valley, the comparative population and political power of the two sections of the country, will be as follows.

	POPULATION.		REPRESENTATIVES		
States East of the Mountains. States West of the Mountains.	1840 9,654,139 7,364,715	1850. 12,049,846 11,207,877	1840. 134 89	1850. 128 115	

Difference, 2,289,424 841,969 45 13

From this statement it appears, that in ten years, the East has lost six and the West has gained twenty-six Representatives, and that the majority of Eastern Representatives in the next Congress will be only thirteen. Four Territories send each one delegate, who is not entitled to vote. The present ratio of representation, is 1 to 93,716.

<sup>\*</sup> The original thirteen States.

# DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANTS FOR AID

DUNCTIONS TO ARRESTANTS FOR AID.

#### FROM

## THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

Applications for aid from the Society should contain information on ALL the following points.

Note.—If the following form of an Application is generally followed, and the blanks definitely filled, it will be very servicable to us, and often prevent delay:—

#### FORM OF APPLICATION.

(Town or Village, State and Date.)

To the Executive Board of the Am. Bap. Home Mission Society.

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The number of inhabitants in the (village or settlement) is now estimated at ——; the number of communicants belonging to the church is ——; the average attendance, of all classes and ages, at public worship on Lord's days, including communicants, is ——. The Baptists have no other church in the place, (or if there be one or more mention it,) the nearest to us is —— miles distant. The other denominations which have churches in the place are (name them.)

[Note.—If other churches or settlements are to be supplied a part of the time, give the same information, statistics, &c., proper for them, at this point. Thus, "Also to labor with the Baptist church at," &c. Or, "In the village or settlement of ——."]

My Post-office address is ——; I am — years of age; the number of my family (if there be one) dependent upon me for support is ——. I was educated at ——;† I was regularly ordained (or licensed) by the Baptist church at ———, State of ————, in (mention the year,) and have labored in the ministry at ————, State of ———.

## (After this, add whatever may be thought desirable.)

(Signed.)

<sup>\*</sup> The arrangement should be for 12 months, if consistent.

<sup>†</sup> Particular information upon this point will materially aid the Board in assigning fields to new applicants.

point, the same information for each, as before mentioned, and then add the post-office address of the minister, and what follows above.

#### FOR A VILLAGE OR SETTLEMENT.

If the application is for the supply of a settlement or village, where there is no organized church, let the above information be given, except what applies to a church, with a statement of the number of Baptist members known to be residing in it; or who, residing in the neighborhood, will probably unite in attending public worship with them.

#### WHO SHOULD MAKE APPLICATION.

The minister should, in all cases, make the application, but if that is impracticable, let it be done by the Clerk of the church, officially, or by a Committee appointed for that purpose.

Where two or more churches are to share the services of the minister, and circumstances prevent his making the application, the Clerk, or a Committee of each church should write.

#### CONCURRENT CERTIFICATE.

An application made by a minister, should be accompanied, (on the same sheet if possible,) with a concurrent certificate, regularly voted by the church or churches to be supplied, and signed by the Clerk, or a Committee as before mentioned, officially,—in substance thus:

"(Post-office address and date.) The —— church (or churches, as the case may be,) concur in all the terms and statements of the foregoing application." (Signed.)

If the minister is to supply a destitute settlement or village where there is no church, such a certificate, of course, is not expected.

#### APPLICATION OF A MINISTER TO GO TO A WESTERN PLACE.

If an application is made by a minister for an appointment to a particular place in a Western State or Territory, it should be made out as in the foregoing form, including as many of the required items of information concerning the field, including those of the church, as the applicant can give. But if it be for no particular place, of course, such information is not expected But in such case, in addition to the personal information required, the applicant should inform us what State or Territory he wishes to occupy; at what date he will be ready to proceed to the field: and whether his necessity render it indispensible that the Society should bear any part of his traveling expenses. If so, how much?

## APPLICATION FOR A MINISTER AND AID.

If an application is made by a church or others, not only for aid, but also for a minister, let the afore mentioned information be given, except what relates to the minister; and substitutes in brief, such as will enable the Board to judge of the qualifications necessary in a minister for the place, and accompany it with the requisite recommendation.

## APPLICATION FOR ITINERANTS.

If an application is made for an itinerant minister to labor in a section of country, where there is no church for him to supply, the number of communicants, average attendance at public worship, and the sum to be raised by the churches, may be omitted, and the names of the principal places to be supplied, and their population, if known, substituted. If there is a church or churches in the field to supply any part of the time, the requisite information should be given. In either case, recommendations will be expected.

## RECOMMENDATIONS NECESSARY.

- 1. If the applicants reside within the boundaries of a State Convention, or a General or Sectional Association, a recommendation should be obtained, if practicable, from them, by a regular vote of the body, or of a Committee appointed for the purpose, not merely of the minister, but of the entire arrangement proposed.\*
  - 2. If it is impracticable to seek the recommendation from such sources, it should be obtained

<sup>\*</sup> The recommendation for the proposed arrangement is generally, far more important and useful than for the minister merely, as he is often well known by the Board, especially if he have been previously appointed; whereas, they may often know but little of the propriety of the arrangement.

from some two or more persons well known in the denomination, and, if possible, to our Executive Board, and forwarded immediately to our Corresponding Secretary.

## FORM OF RECOMMENDATION DESIRED.

(Residence and date.)

The subscribers are well acquainted with Rev. ——, an applicant for an appointment by the Executive Board of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. We know that he is in good standing in a regular Baptist church, and that in faith and practice he is in fellowship with that denomination. He is discreet and faithful as a minister and we believe him to be adapted to the place (or places) proposed for his labors. We also believe the arrangement proposed between him and the church (or churches) to be a judicious one, and that the pecuniary circumstances of the people, and prospects of the place, justify the Board of the Society in aiding them to the extent of their application.\*

#### RE-APPOINTMENTS.

As the appointments of the Executive Board are made, in general, for twelve months, if a renewal is desired, a new application, containing fresh information on EVERY POINT NAMED in these directions, except the education, ordination, age, and places of labor of the minister, should be forwarded to the Board, soon after the expiration of the third quarter of the previous appointment; with concurrent certificate, and recommendation.

#### TAKE NOTICE.

In all the above cases, if any thing required cannot be stated, let the reason be given.

The application, certificate of concurrence and recommendation, should be written, if possible, on one sheet of paper, and sent to us post paid.

#### PARTICULAR NOTICE.

Applications for missionary aid are frequently sent to us unaccompanied with the necessary information and recommendations. This, therefore, is to inform all applicants, that WITHOUT SPECIAL REASONS, THE EXECUTIVE BOARD DO NOT ACT UPON APPLICATIONS THUS DEFICIENT, and they earnestly hope that applicants will notice every requisition, and conform to them in their communications. They will thereby avoid delay.

55 All applications for aid, made conformably with the foregoing rules, will be submitted to the Executive Board at their earliest subsequent meeting; and the success of them communicated to the applicant immediately afterwards.

A copy of this notice will be forwarded to applicants who fail to give us the necessary information. They will please observe wherein they were deficient, and send us another application, corrected by reference to the foregoing rules.

## MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The meetings of the Executive Board are held on the last week of each month. Without special reasons, no appointments are made at any other time. Applicants will do well to remember this, and govern themselves accordingly in mailing their letters, as an application which reaches us just after a meeting, must lie nearly a month before it can be acted on.

## TO OUR MISSIONARIES.

Quarterly reports are expected promptly from each of our missionaries, according to their general instructions. Those to whom a copy of this notice is mailed, will please understand that their last report had not reached us in due course of mail from the expiration of their quarter, and transmit it as soon as possible.

## ADDRESS OF THE SOCIETY.

Communications or remittances for the Society, or Executive Board, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary. See his address on the cover, of the last Annual Report.

All periodicals and other printed documents should be directed to "Home Mission Record, New York."

<sup>\*</sup> The above "form" expresses, essentially, qualifications which the Executive Board desire all their missionaries to possess, and the necessities which impel churches to seek their aid. It may not apply, in all points, to particular individuals. In such cases, it is desired that persons applied to for recommendations, will candidly deviate from the "form" as circumstances or facts require.

## MISSIONARY BOXES

Female Societies and others who propose to make donations of clothing, etc., to our missionaries, will please observe the following statements and directions:

## THE DONATIONS ARE EXTRA.

Such donations cannot be applied as a part of the Missionaries' salaries, or credited as receipts into our treasury, though they will be acknowledged in the Home Mission Record, as extra. The missionary needs his salary in money. Therefore, while such tokens of kindness are gratefully received by the missionaries, and as gratefully acknowledged by the Board, it should not be overlooked that the missionaries cannot be sustained in the field, unless our treasury is supplied with the full amount of money necessary for their support. If that is promptly supplied, it will, indeed, be a favor to many missionary families to receive additional donations of clothing; but if, by the preparation of the boxes, their salaries would, as a consequence, be diminished, it would prove a disadvantage to them instead of a favor.

#### CONTENTS OF BOXES.

The female societies and sewing circles are generally good judges of the sort of articles which should be procured, or "made up," for a missionary box. Nevertheless, in answer to the frequent inquiries upon the subject, we take the liberty of suggesting that the following articles, in the order in which they are named, are most frequently desired. 1. Plain, substantial wearing apparel, including cloaks, overcoats and shawls. 2. Bedding. 3. Stationery. 4. Theological Books, and Sabbath School Books. 5. Any light articles which are useful in families.

#### DO NOT SEND BOXES TO THE MISSION BOOMS.

The Mission Rooms are more than a mile from the steamboat or freight boat landings, and there are no store rooms connected with them. Hence, if the boxes are sent to these rooms, we are obliged to send them, at extra expense, back to the landings. Storage and cartage in the city of New York are expensive. Besides, it is often nearer and cheaper to forward the missionary boxes to their destination by some other route than by the way of New York. Therefore, to avoid unnecessary expense and delay, our friends will please observe the following

#### DIRECTIONS.

Address a letter to our Corresponding Secretary, and state how large a family you are ready to supply. The Secretary will, in reply, give information concerning such a family or families; the number of males and females composing it; their ages and sizes; together with their post office address; the manner of marking and forwarding the boxes, &c.

When the box is packed, there should be placed in it, where it will be readily seen, a letter or paper, containing a list of the articles in it, with the estimated value, the name of the Society which sends them, and the name of the post office address (plainly written) of the person to whom the missionary may transmit an acknowledgement in return.

As the box will probably experience hard usage on the way, it should be strong and tight, firmly nailed, and, if large, hooped or otherwise well secured. It should then be plainly directed and forwarded exactly according to the instructions communicated by the Secretary. At the same time a letter should be sent by mail to the missionary, apprising him that the box is on its way to him, with the name of the vessel or transportation line by which it is sent. And, unless the transportation is pre-paid by the Society who send it, if a bank note is enclosed of sufficient amount to pay that expense—say from \$3 to \$5—our friends may rest assured that it will be money well laid out.\* It is desirable, also, that our Corresponding Secretary should be apprised, as soon as convenient, that the box has been sent, so that a memorandum may be made against the entry on our books, for the clothing.

## THE LATEST PERIOD FOR SENDING BOXES.

Be All boxes of clothing, intended for the Western States, should be on their way by the first of October, otherwise there will be danger of their being detained somewhere by the close of navigation, and even of being miscarried and lost.

<sup>\*</sup> The contents of a box should be worth, usually, at least, PIFTY DOLLARS, to be profitable when it reaches its destination.

# RATIO OF BAPTISTS TO THE POPULATION.

The following table shows the population of each of the United States, according to the census of 1850, with the number of communicants in the Baptist churches, taken from the latest available returns and the ratio of such communicants to the population:

States.	Population.	Com.	Ratio.	
Maine,	583.088	19.850	One in 29	
New Hampshire,	317,864	8.244	" 39	
Vermont,	313.466	6,964	" 45	
Massachusetts,	994,271	31,344	" 32	
Rhode Island,	147,555	7.519	" 20	
Connecticut	370,604	16,222	" 23	
New York,	3,090,022	85,858	1 36	
New Jersey,	489,555	12,531	" 39	
Pennsylvania,	2.311,681	29,331	" 79	
Delaware,	91,535	352	" 260	
Maryland.	583,035	2.134	" 273	
Virginia,	1.421.081	86,219	" 16	
North Carolina,	868,903	37,231	" 23	
South Carolina.	668,469	41,794	" 16	
Georgia,	878,635	57.362	" 15	
Florida,	87,387	2,115	" 41	
Alabama	771.659	38.126	" 20	
Mississippi,	592.853	24,277	1 24	
Louisiana,	500,763	3,749	" 134	
Texas,	187,403	1,897	" 99	
Arkansas,	209,640	3.752	" 56	
Tennessee,	1,002,625	36.731	1 27	
Kentucky,	1,001,496	64.017	16	
Missouri,	682,043	20,630	44 33	
Ohio,	1.977.031	24.325	" 81	
Michigan,	395,703	9,320	1 42	
Indiana,	988,734	22,636	1 44	
Illinois,	858,298	16,431	" 52	
Wisconsin,	304,226	3,361	" 91	
Iowa.	192,122	1,362	" 141	
California,	200,000	53	" 3,774	
Ratio to white				
population,	23,081,747	715.737	One in 3	

Without claiming entire accuracy for this table, it may be regarded as a close approximation to accuracy. It shows, taking the States enumerated as a whole, that the communicants of the Baptist denomination are as one to every thirty-two of the population. But a similar table, including the statistics of all evangelical denominations, would show their communicants to be not less than as one to six of the whole population of all the United States. We submit these statements as being in the highest degree worthy the consideration of those to whom Christ has committed the work of evangelizing the world. Who can estimate the power of the personal effort which so many Christians might put forth in home evangelization? And from whom are heathen nations to receive the Gospel, if Christians of a country so rich in all the resources of spiritual power are not forward in bestowing it?—Macedonian.

Territories.	Population.	Com.	Ratio.	
Minnesota,	6,077 13,293 11,380 61,547	12 63 -3	One to 506 " 211 " 205	
Ratio of the Territory,	92,297 23,174,044	78 715,815	1 to 1183 1 in 321	

## ERRATA.

In Note A., page 36, it is said: "On that appointment he (Rev. S. R. Clark) labored in Cleveland six months It was ascertained, after the *form* was printed, that he did not statedly labor in that city, and probably only visited it as an exploring missionary.

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## FORM OF A CONSTITUTION FOR A PRIMARY SOCIETY.

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THE following form of a Constitution we submit as being substantially all that is requisite for any Society wishing to co-operate with us:—

- 1st. This Society shall be called the
- 2d. The object of this Society shall be to promote the preaching of the Gospel in North America, through the American Baptist Home Mission Society.
  - 3d. The Society shall consist of such persons as contribute to its funds
- 4th. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a Board of Managers, consisting of not less than three persons, the first of whom shall be Chairman, the second Secretary, and the third Treasurer, to be chosen annually; they shall have power to fill vacancies in their number, when they occur, and to do all things necessary to the execution of their trust, according to the provisions of this Constitution.
- , 5th. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to obtain the services of a sufficient number of collectors to render the labor of collecting the contributions of the members easy; and to meet as often as consistent, to receive the funds and reports from the collectors. The collectors are to gather the contributions from members in districts assigned them, pay over the amount to the Treasurer at the stated meetings of the Board, and obtain new subscribers as they have opportunity.
- 7th. The Treasurer shall make remittances of the funds received, to the Treasurer of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, as often as directed by the Board.
- 8th. This Constitution may be altered at any annual meeting of the Society by a majority of the members present.

## REMARKS.

Two or three persons earnestly desirous of such an organisation, can generally accomplish the object. Let them adopt the foregoing Constitution, and then obtain as many signatures to it as possible. Five or three, (if no more can be obtained,) are sufficient for a beginning, especially if the object have the support of the pastor. With these commence, organise, and proceed to increase the number, till, if possible, the sum raised shall be at least equal to one cent a week for each member of the church. The day of small things must not be despised. In some instances the contribution of a society of five members will be more than was ever given for Home Missions by the whole church.